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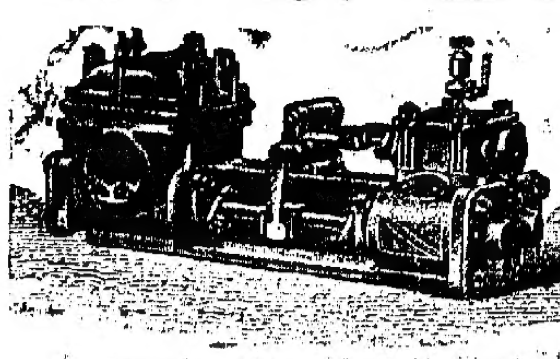

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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, *General Managers.*

Hongkong, June 19, 1899. 1436

OLIVERS FREEHOLD MINES, LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that a CALL of $1.00 per SHARE has been made in respect of the 'B' SHARES in the above-named Company, and that such CALL is PAYABLE to the General Managers, on the 5th day of July next, at the OFFICES of the Company, 38 and 40 Queen's Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, *General Managers.*

Hongkong, May 4, 1899. 1113

STOCKBROKERS' ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

THE EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of MEMBERS, Called for SATURDAY, the 24th Instant, is unavoidably POSTPONED till SATURDAY, the 8th Proximo.

ERICH GEORG, *Hon. Secretary.*

Hongkong, June 22, 1899. 1459

PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHARES in this COMPANY on which a CALL of $1 was made PAYABLE on the 17TH DAY OF APRIL LAST, and which said Call has not yet been PAID, are liable to be FORFEITED, in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company. (Articles No.s 26 and 27).

W. H. GASKELL, *Acting Secretary.*

Hongkong, July 1, 1899. 1537

NOTICE.

MR. CARL GEORG RICHARD BRODERSEN, Mr. FRIEDRICH HERMANN ARNOLD FUCHS, and Mr. STEPHAN EDUARD WARNEKEN have This Day been admitted PARTNERS in Our FIRM in Hongkong and China.

SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, July 1, 1899. 1540

NOTICE.

WE Have This Day Authorised Mr. CARL CHRISTIAN HERMANN SCHROTER, and Mr. PAUL FRIEDRICH HERMANN WESTENDORFF, to SIGN Our FIRM per PROCURATION.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, July 1, 1899. 1539

NOTICE.

MRS STOCKHAUSEN, begs to inform the LADIES of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, that she has just received a large assortment of SAILOR HATS in all the latest Shapes.

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Hongkong, June 29, 1899. 1525

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LONDON	*Japan*	G. K. WRIGHT, R.N.R.	About 6th July.
SHANGHAI	*Coromandel*	F. W. VIBERT, R.N.R.	About 7th July.
LONDON, &c.	*Bengal* *	S. BARCHAM	Noon, 8th July.
YOKOHAMA, Via N'SAKI & KOBE	*Rohilla*	S. DE B. LOCKYER, R.N.R.	4 p.m., 8th July.

* See Special Advertisement.

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P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, June 28, 1899. 1490

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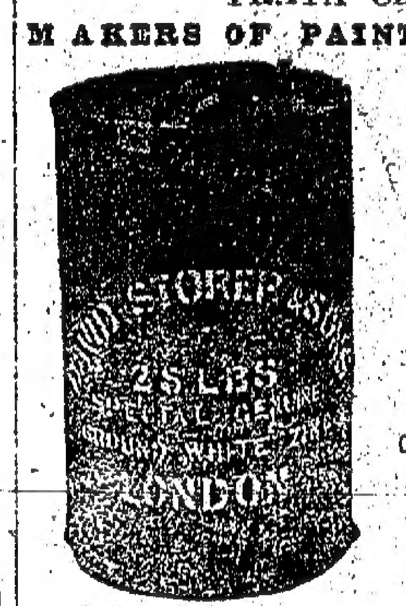

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HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Tenth Ordinary Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office at QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, on SATURDAY, the 8th July, at NOON, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th April, 1899, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 24th Inst. to the 8th Prox., both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, June 20, 1899. 1449

THE WANCHAI WAREHOUSE AND STORAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND at the RATE of FOUR PER CENT. (ONE DOLLAR and FIFTY CENTS per SHARE), for the Six Months ending 30th June, 1899, will be PAID, on application, to the registered SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company, on SATURDAY, the 8th July, 1899.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 8th July, both days inclusive.

MEYER & Co., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, June 26, 1899. 1496

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Hongkong, June 28, 1899. 1513

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Hongkong, August 3, 1897. 1868

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

7.30 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. ...Every quarter of an hour.
8.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. ...Every ten minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 10.45 a.m. ...Every quarter of an hour.
11.30 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. ...Every quarter of an hour.
3.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. ...Every quarter of an hour.
6.30 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. ...Every ten minutes.
Night cars at 8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m. and from 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

SATURDAYS.

Extra cars at 11.30 and 11.45 p.m.

SUNDAYS.

8.15 a.m. to 10.15 a.m. ...Every half hour.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. ...Every ten minutes.
Noon to 2 p.m. ... Every quarter of an hour.
2.45 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. ...Every quarter of an hour.
Night cars at 8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m., and from 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. Every half hour.

SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the Company's Office, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central.

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Hongkong, May 1, 1899. 1076

JOHN WALKER & SONS' FAMOUS KILMARNOCK WHISKY.

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Hongkong, March 1, 1899. 516

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Hongkong, March 27, 1899. 775

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Hongkong, April 6, 1896. 628

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To-day's Advertisements

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 352.

THE following Particulars of SALE of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Offices of the Public Works Department, on MONDAY, the 10th day of July, 1899, at 3 p.m., are published for general information.

By Command,
J. G. T. BUCKLE,
for the Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Hongkong, 24th June, 1899. 1553

Particulars of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 10th day of July, 1899, at 3 p.m., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Two Lots of Crown Land in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

Particulars of the Lots.

Sale No.	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	Inland Lot No. 1,551	Kennedy Street, Wanchai	[illegible]	[illegible]	53 6	[illegible]	1,480	17	740
2	1,553	Do.	[illegible]	[illegible]	45 0	48 0	1,562	21	930

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Particulars of the Lots.

Sale No.	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent	Upset Price
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship LOONGMOON, Captain F. W. SCHULTZ, will be despatched for the above Port, on WEDNESDAY, the 5th Inst., at 3.30 p.m., instead of as previously advertised.

This steamer has superior Accommodation for First and Second-class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co.
Hongkong, July 3, 1899. 1556

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's New Steamship DIAMANTE, Captain TAYLER, will be despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 7th Inst., at 2 p.m.

The Attention of Passengers is directed to the excellent Accommodation provided by this Steamer. She is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
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Hongkong, July 3, 1899. 1547

To-day's Advertisements

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Messrs. DALLAS & MUSGRAVE'S DRAMATIC COMPANY.

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GRAND PRODUCTION
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BRISKITT (Head Waiter at Cremorne) ....Mr. *R. Stephenson.*
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SOPHY GREYTHORNE (from Manchester) Miss *Barbara Fenn.*
MRS. TUBBS (from Brixton) .... Miss *Angie Potter.*
REBECCA (Lady Maggie's Maid) ....Miss *Rosie Blair.*
MISS ADA BELMORE (a Ballet girl) ....Miss *Fanny Stanley*
LADY MAGGIE WAGSTAFF (Sir Percy's Wife)...Miss *Madge Grey.*

SYNOPSIS OF SCENERY.

Act. 1st—Lady Maggie's Drawing-Room, St. John's Wood.
Act. 2nd—Cremorne Gardens.
Act. 3rd—Lady Maggie's Drawing-Room, St. John's Wood.

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Grand production of the most successful Farcical Comedy of the century, in 3 Acts,

'CHARLEY'S AUNT.'

NOTE.—A special Tram will run a quarter of an hour after fall of curtain each Evening.

PRICES, ... $3, $2 & $1.
Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform Half-Price to Back Seats only.

Plan now Open at ROBINSON PIANO WAREHOUSE.
Doors Open 8.15. Overture 9 p.m.

W. H. BROWN,
Business Manager.
Hongkong, July 3, 1899. 1545

NOTICE.

TUESDAY, July 4th, being 124th ANNIVERSARY of the INDEPENDENCE of the U. S. of America, Consul-General WILDMAN will be 'AT HOME' at the CONSULATE from 2 to 6 p.m.

Hongkong, July 3, 1899. 1549

WANTED.

HEAD BOY, for the R. E. MESS, QUEEN'S GARDENS.

Apply, either by Letter to R. M. Mess Secretary, or in Person at Head Quarter Office, any Day between 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Hongkong, July 3, 1899. 1551

WANTED.

MR. RICHARD, who is going North, on Business, on the 22nd Inst., desires a RESPECTABLE AND COMFORTABLE HOME for his Wife and Baby, (Amah in attendance), with a Private English Family in Hongkong or Kowloon. References Exchanged.

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Hongkong, July 3, 1899. 1552

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Hongkong, July 3, 1899. 1550

POSTPONEMENT.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Chartered Steamship NANYANG, Captain LIEMANN, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 5th Instant, at 10 a.m.

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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, July 3, 1899. 1546

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO'S STEAMER *TIENTSIN.*

FROM BOMBAY & STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWN, at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not Cleared by the 9th Inst., at 4 p.m. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged packages will be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damages obtained from the Godown Company within [illegible] days after the [illegible] arrival [illegible] after which no claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 3rd July, 1899. 1548

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	*Vessels.*	*Agents.*	*Date of Leaving.*
Amoy and Tamsui	Haiching (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	July 4, at 10 a.m.
Australian Ports	Eastern (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	July 4.
Bremen & Ports of Call	Bayern (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd.	July 19, at 9 a.m.
Havre and Hamburg.	Ambria (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About July 5.
Havre and Hamburg.	Sappia (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About July 9.
Havre and Hamburg.	Ellen Rickmers (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About July 31.
Havre and Hamburg.	Silesia (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About August 6.
Kobe	Tientsin (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	July 7, daylight.
Kobe and Yokohama.	Yamaguchi Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	July 6, at 4 p.m.
Kobe and Yokohama.	Hitachi Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	July 5, at 4 p.m.
London & Ports of Call	Bengal (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	July 8, at Noon.
London v. Suez Canal	Tantalus (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	July 20.
London v. Suez Canal.	Glenlochy (s)	McGregor Bros. & Gow	July 7.
London	Japan (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About July 6.
Manila	Diamante (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	July 7, at 2 p.m.
Marseilles v. Saigon.	Sydney (s)	Messageries Maritimes	July 15, at noon.
Marseilles, London, &c.	Inaba Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	July 11, 4 p.m.
Marseilles, London, &c.	Kamakura Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	July 27, at 4 p.m.
N'saki, Kobe & Y'ma.	Rohilla (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	July 8, at 4 p.m.
New York v. Suez Canal	Afridi (s)	Dodwell & Co., Ltd	About July 7
New York v. Suez Canal	Indrapura (s)	Jardine Matheson & Co	About July 15.
New York v. Suez Canal	Deike Rickmers (s)	Carlowitz & Co	About July 6.
New York v. Suez Canal	Yangtsze (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	July 29.
Portland, Oregon	Columbia (s)	Dodwell & Co., Limited	July 8, at noon.
San Diego v. Japan	Belgian King (s)	Butterfield & Swire	About July 12.
S. Francisco v. Japan.	Doric (s)	O. & O. S. S. Co.	July 25, at noon.
S. Francisco v. Japan.	China (s)	Pacific Mail S. S. Co	July 18, at Noon.
S. Francisco v. Japan.	Hongkong Maru (s)	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	July 8, at noon.
Shanghai	Coromandel (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About July 7.
S'hai, N'ki, K'obe & Y'ma	Yarra (s)	Messageries Maritimes	July 4.
S'pore, C'ombo & B'bay	Hiroshima Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	July 13, at noon.
S'pore, C'ombo & B'bay	Silesia (s)	Sander, Wieler & Co.	July 10, afternoon.
S'pore, Penang & C'tta	Catherine Apcar (s)	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	July 4, at 3 p.m.
S'tow, Amoy, & F'chow	Haitan (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	July 4, at 10 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & T'sui	Nanchang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	July 5.
Swatow, Amoy & T'foo	Nanyang (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	July 5, at 10 a.m.
Tacoma (Wash.), &c.	Victoria (s)	Dodwell & Co., Limited	July 4, at noon.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of Japan (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	July 19, at noon.
Vladivostock	Hakuai Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	July 6, at noon.
Yokohama and Kobe.	Silesia (s)	Siemssen & Co.	About July 8.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

July 2.

Chow Tai, British steamer, 1,115, T. W. Groves, Bangkok June 25, Rice and General.—YUEN FAT HONG.

Propontis, British str., 1,390, P. Crawford, Saigon June 27, Rice and General.—HETTNG SANG STEAMBOAT Co.

Nanyang, German steamer, 985, Th. [illegible], Anping via Amoy Swatow July 1, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co.

Kachidate Maru, Japanese str., 2,143, S. Fujiki, Kutchinotzu June 27, Coal.—MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

Belgian King, British steamer, 2,170, T. L. Weiss, San Diego May 21, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Clara, German steamer, 675, Hansen, Haiphong and Hoihow July 1, General.—JEBSEN & Co.

Stanfield, British barque, 576, Wilson, Rajong June 20, Timber.—MASTER.

Feiching, Chinese str., from Canton.

Loyal, German str., from Canton.

July 3.

Tainan, British str., from Canton.

Kansu, British str., from Canton.

Jason, British str., 1,369, W. F. Lyoett, Penang June 25, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Ambria, German str., 3,288, Barmeister, Shanghai June 28, General.—CARLOWITZ & Co.

Tientsin, British steamer, 2,555, F. Fox, Bombay June 16, and Singapore 27, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Lyeemoon, German steamer, 1,232, G. Heuermann, Shanghai June 30, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Yamaguchi Maru, Japanese str., 2,098, R. Numome, Bombay June 15, and Singapore 27, General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Deike Rickmers, German steamer, 2,300, T. Bahle, Shanghai June 30, General.—CARLOWITZ & Co.

DEPARTURES.

July 2.

Natuna, for Yokohama.
Ixion, for Singapore and London.
San Gottardo, for Saigon.
Kalgan, for Saigon.
Shansi, for Amoy.
Manila, for Shanghai.
Hongkong, for Hoihow.
Kwang Lee, for Canton.

July 3.

Tainan, for Hongay.
Tamsui Maru, for Swatow.
Fushun, for Shanghai.
Daphne, for Vladivostock.
Hopeh, Soumbaya.
Chunshan, for Swatow.
Loyal, for Hongay.
Socotra, for Nagasaki.

CLEARED.

Loongmoon, for Shanghai.
Siam, for Singapore and St. Petersburg.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Chow Tai,* from Bangkok, Messrs McCulloch and James, and 23 Chinese.

Per *Propontis,* from Saigon, 83 Chinese.

Per *Nanyang,* from Anping, &c., 32 Chinese.

Per *Jason,* from Penang, 148 Chinese.

Per *Ambria,* from Shanghai, 21 Europeans and 10 Chinese.

Per *Lyeemoon,* from Shanghai, Sir John Lester Kayd, Mrs Veiolson, Mr A. Tofft, Mr Müller, and 37 Chinese.

Per *Yamaguchi Maru,* from Singapore, 140 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Chow Tai* reports: Left Koh-si chang 25th June, and experienced fine weather until 29th, when fresh N.E. to S.E. gales were encountered, with high sea, and continued till arrival.

The British steamer *Propontis* reports: Had moderate S.W. winds to Padaran, light variable to Varella; from Varella to N. of Paracels, light to moderate N.W. winds; from Paracels to port, hard gales N.E. to S.E., heavy squalls rain, dark cloudy weather. Barometer falling as low as 29.40.

The German steamer *Nanyang* reports: From Swatow to Hongkong, very strong wind from S.E. and heavy sea.

The Japanese steamer *Kachidate Maru* reports: From Kutchinotzu to Hongkong, in the first part, had light and fine; and latter part, moderate and S.E'ly, big swell and rainy weather.

The British steamer *Jason* reports: Strong monsoon, with much rain.

The German steamer *Deike Rickmers* reports: Fine weather, light winds, heavy S.E'ly swell.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For AMOY, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA & TACOMA.—
Per *Victoria,* at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 4th July.

For SWATOW & AMOY.—
Per *Sishan,* at 1 p.m., on Tuesday, the 4th July.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—
Per *Catherine Apcar,* at 2 p.m., on Tuesday, the 4th July.

For BANGKOK.—
Per *Wongkoi,* at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 4th July.

For HOIHOW & BANGKOK.—
Per *Else,* at 4 p.m., on Tuesday, the 4th July.

For SANDAKAN.—
Per *Guang,* at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 4th July.

For HAIPHONG.—
Per *Huting,* at 9 a.m., on Wednesday, the 5th July.

For SWATOW, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN.—
Per *Nanchang,* at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 5th July.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per *Loongmoon,* at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, the 5th July.

For KOBE & YOKOHAMA.—
Per *Hitachi Maru,* at 3 p.m., on Wednesday, the 5th July.
Per *Yamaguchi Maru,* at 3 p.m., on Thursday, the 6th July.

For SWATOW, AMOY, SHANGHAI, CHEFOO, CHEMULPO, NAGASAKI & VLADIVOSTOCK.—
Per *Hakuai Maru,* at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 6th July.

For MANILA.—
Per *Diamante,* at 2 p.m., on Friday, the 7th July.

For SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU & PORTLAND, (OR.)
Per *Columbia,* at 10 a.m., on Saturday, the 8th July.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—
The United States Mail Packet *Hongkong Maru* will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 8th July, with Mails for Shanghai, Japan, San Francisco the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed at follows:—
10.00 A.M. Registry ceases.
(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.)
11.00 A.M. Post Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet *with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage* until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—
The British Contract Packet *Bengal* will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 8th July, with Mails for the United Kingdom, the Continent of Europe, and countries beyond, *via Brindisi;* to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S PACKET.—
The Canadian Pacific Mail Packet *Empress of Japan* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 19th July, with Mails, for Shanghai, Japan, United States, Canadian, &c., which will be closed as follows:—
10.00 A.M. Registry ceases.
(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.)
11.00 A.M. Post Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet, *with the Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage,* until the time of departure.

MONEY LETTERS.—The Post Office declines all responsibility for unregistered Letters containing bank notes, or jewellery, and, where Registration has been neglected, WILL MAKE NO ENQUIRIES into alleged losses of such letters (Post Guide, 93).

REGISTRATION.—Correspondence can be registered for all Private Ship mails up to fifteen minutes before the time for closing; for the Shanghai or Japan contract mails up to a quarter of an hour before; for mails for Europe, America, and Canada, &c., up to an hour before; for Indian, Northern Pacific, and Torres Straits mails up to half an hour before.

Letters, &c., for the Peak will be delivered by the 1[illegible] and 3.30 o'clock trains only. Correspondence and Parcels for the Peak may be posted in the General Post Office up to 11.30 a.m. or 3 p.m. With regard to letters from the Peak, Pillar boxes have been placed at Magazine Gap, Victoria Gap, Mount Kellett, Mount Gough, and Plantation Road, which will be cleared at 10.40 and 4 p.m.

LOCAL DELIVERIES.—Separate Boxes have been provided for Posting Correspondence for the [illegible]

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For AMOY & TAMSUI.
Per *Haiching,* at 10.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 4th July.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.
Per *Haitan,* at 9.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 4th July.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

10 p.m.—*Haiching* leaves for Amoy.
10 a.m.—*Haitan* leaves for Swatow.
3 p.m.—*Catherine Apcar* leaves for Calcutta, &c.

Auctions.

3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land, at Tsim Sha Tsui.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Bayern* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, July 5:—
4 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land, at Aberdeen (near Paper Mills).
Goods per *Suisang* undelivered after Noon this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, July 6:—
Goods per *Manila* not cleared after 4 p.m. subject to rent.
Goods per *Merionethshire* undelivered after this date subject to rent.
Goods per *Indrulema* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, July 8:—
Noon.—Auction of Leasehold Property, at Nos. 66, 67 and 68, Praya East, and Nos. 68 and 70, Wanchai Road.
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office at Queen's Buildings.
Meeting of Members of the Stockbrokers' Association of Hongkong.
Interim Dividend of 4% on Share of the Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Co., Ltd., payable.

SUNDAY, July 9:—
Goods per *Tientsin* not cleared after 4 p.m. subject to rent.

MONDAY, July 10:—
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at Kennedy Street, Wanchai.

Exchange.

HONGKONG, July 3, 1899.

On London—	
Bank, Wire, ...	1/11⅜
,, On demand, ...	1/11½
,, 30 days' sight, ...	1/11⅝
,, 4 months' sight, ...	1/11⅞
Credits, 4 ,, ,, ...	2/0
Documentary, 4 months' sight.	2/0⅛
On Paris—	
On demand, ...	2.49½
Credits, 4 months' sight, ...	2.52
On Berlin—Demand, ...	2.01½
On New York—	
On demand, ...	48⅝
Credits, 60 days' sight, ...	49⅛
On Bombay—	
Wire, ...	147¼
On demand, ...	147¾
On Calcutta—	
Wire, ...	147¼
On demand, ...	147¾
On Singapore—	
On demand, ...	1½% pm.
On Manila—	
On demand, ...	2% pm.
On Shanghai—	
On demand, ...	72
30 days' sight, (private paper) ...	72¾
On Yokohama—	
On demand, ...	4½% pm.
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.
(SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER.)

Pyrrhus, May 23; *Canton, Marie Valerie,* 25; *Ernest Simons, Lio, Myrmidon, Babelsberg,* 30; *Glen Branch, Swoia, Serbia,* June 6; *Benledi, Eidsvold,* 9; *Sarpedon,* 13; *Menelaus, Oceanien, Preussen, Salaris, Wittenburg, Catania,* 16; *Indrani, Orestes, Oopack, Argyll, Atako, Bombay, Dominion,* 20; *Benvenue, Candia,* 23; *Glaucus, Glengarry, Teenkai, India, Heidelberg, Needles,* 27.

Mails.

The M. M. Co.'s s. s. *Yarra,* with the FRENCH MAIL of 2nd June, left Saigon on Saturday, the 1st July, at 6 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 4th July. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 29th April last.

The P. M. s. s. *China,* with the AMERICAN MAIL, left Yokohama on Wednesday, the 28th June, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 5th July.

The C. P. R. Co.'s str. *Empress of Japan* left Vancouver on Monday afternoon, the 19th June, for Hongkong, and usual ports.

The O. & O. Co.'s s. s. *Doric,* with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 17th June.

Steamers Expected.

The s. s. *Commonwealth,* from New York, left Singapore on the 27th June, and is due here on Monday, the 3rd July.

The H. A. L. steamer *Silesia,* from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 28th June, and may be expected here on or about the 4th July.

The G. L. s. s. *Glenturret,* from London and Straits, left Singapore on the 30th June, and may be expected here on the 5th July.

The C. Mutual steamer *Oopack,* from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 20th June, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 9th July. The *Oopack* is bringing on the *Kaisow's* cargo.

The Austrian Lloyd's s. s. *Silesia,* left Kobe, via Moji, for this port on the night of July 1st.

The N. G. I. s. s. *Raffaele Rubattino* left Bombay for this port on the 17th June, and is due here on or about the 6th July.

The N. P. Co.'s s. s. *Monmouthshire* has arrived at Yokohama, and sails for Kobe and Hongkong, on the 1st July.

The s. s. *Carmarthenshire* sailed from San Diego on the 10th June, for Hongkong via ports.

Latest Advices.

The C. M. Co.'s str. *Teenkai,* from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 23rd June, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 12th July.

The P. & O. Co.'s s. s. *Coromandel* with the ENGLISH MAIL of 9th June, left Singapore on Saturday, the 1st July, at 1 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 6th July. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on May 6th.

The P. M. Co.'s s. s. *Aztec,* with the AMERICAN MAIL, left Shanghai on Saturday, the 1st July, at 3 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 4th July.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s. s. *Empress of India* arrived at Nagasaki on the morning of 3rd July, at 6 a.m., and left the same day at 4 p.m. for Kobe, where she is due to arrive on Tuesday, the 4th July, at 8 p.m.

The P. and O. Company.

Mr Peter Williams, of the firm of Freshfield and Williams, solicitors, has been appointed Director of the P. and O. Company, in the room of late Mr Duncanson.

The Plague.

The return of cases of bubonic plague and deaths from that disease compiled by Dr F. W. Clark, Medical Officer of Health, shows that for the week ended 1st July there were 142 cases, as compared with 148 in the previous week, and 144 deaths as compared with 138 in the previous week.

The Port of Tonkin.

A party having conceived the idea of making Hongay the military and commercial port of Tonkin, the President of the Chamber of Commerce of Haiphong has addressed a letter to M. de Lanessan, deputy, formerly Governor-General of Indo-China and delegate of Annam and Tonkin in the Conseil Supérieur des Colonies, asking him to interest himself in the subject with a view of retaining Haiphong as the principal port. The harbour is being dredged at Hongay, the old flagship *Bayard* has been taken there as a sort of guard-ship or floating arsenal, proper quays are to be made, and a railway constructed to connect Hongay with Haiphong and Hanoi, and fortifications constructed, &c., &c., in short, works which will absorb millions of francs. The Haiphongese are not disposed to yield up their prestige without a struggle.

How to Deal With Perjury.

From an interesting paper read before the Society of Arts, by Sir John Scott, late judicial adviser to the Khedive, on Judicial Reform in Egypt, we quote the following:—

False testimony was terribly prevalent in the Egyptian tribunals. As in India, a judge's greatest difficulty was to find the truth in a heap of lies. Prosecutions for perjury were long and intricate. Some speedier remedy was required. We decided to empower the judge to treat flagrant perjury *séance tenante* as a contempt of court punishable by a very limited period of imprisonment. The power has been much used, and already the lying has considerably diminished.

New Stock of Pianos by Brinsmead, Chappell, Hicks, Allison, Rachals.—Robinson Piano Co.

News in Brief.

On the night of the 21st June, a sampan having on board about forty coolies travelling from Quangyen to Hongay was capsized, and only two men escaped.

Dr Grange, of the French Colonial medical staff, has made a tour of Tonkin during which he has vaccinated 12,000 natives. In 95 per cent of the cases the vaccine took effect.

Mr Frank MacCullagh, formerly Editor of the *Siam Free Press,* arrived in Hongkong yesterday on his way to Japan. We understand that the *Siam Free Press,* which was once professedly an English newspaper, has thrown off all disguise, and is now a French newspaper published in English, with M. Emile Martin, a duly-qualified French journalist, as Editor. We notice that our Bangkok contemporary announces that a railway is now in course of construction from Hanoi in Tonkin to Canton. We believe this is the first time the French have confessed that the railway from Langson to Lungchow is intended to reach Canton. This is another little scheme for the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce to keep its official optic upon.

A Novel Case.

About six months ago, the house coolie of a resident absconded a few days after his engagement, taking with him a quantity of jewellery and other property. The discovery was made and reported to the Police within twenty minutes after the time the servant was last seen at work in the house, but all efforts to arrest him failed. It was eventually found that the coolie had fled with his booty beyond the jurisdiction of the Police, and retired to his native village. Applications having been made, through the Hongkong Government, to have him arrested and punished, we now learn that justice has been meted out in the case by the Native Authorities obtaining a sum of money in restitution for the stolen property. This settlement was arrived at through the energetic action of the British Consul at Canton (Mr Mansfield), and cannot fail to have a deterrent effect for the future on the lately too common crime of larceny by house servants.

Our British Naval Diplomats.

A Manila correspondent writes:—*El Noticiero* is in receipt of news from Samar to the effect that two British subjects, residents in one of the villages of that island were taken prisoners by the Filipinos. On the report becoming known, H.M.S. *Peacock,* which was lying in the harbour of Cebu, was immediately despatched to Tacloban to claim from the authorities there the release of the British prisoners. The Commander (Capt. T. St. John), not being able to successfully press his claim by diplomatic means, resorted to a more practical way of settling matters by landing an armed force, while the ship was cleared for action. This firm attitude on the part of the Britishers had the desired effect, the Filipinos immediately releasing the prisoners, without exchanging a shot, and thus much unpleasantness was averted. The two British subjects who had been held prisoners by the Filipinos were Mr John Richmond, of the firm of Messrs W. Stevenson & Co., and Mr Jones, of Messrs Smith, Bell & Co. After their release they embarked on board H.M.S. *Peacock,* which conveyed them to Iloilo.

Government Notifications.

The appointment of the Hon. J. J. Keswick to be a member of the Standing Law Committee of the Legislative Council, in place of the Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving, is gazetted.

The confirmation of Mr C. W. Duggan's appointment, as Secretary to the Sanitary Board is gazetted.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that the Queen's exequatur has been issued empowering Don Alexander Spagnolo to act as Consul for Spain at Hongkong.

The appointment of Mr H. A. J. Gompertz, barrister-at-law, to be Acting Police Magistrate and Coroner during the absence from the Colony of Mr T. Sercombe Smith, is gazetted.

The following promotions and appointments in the Hongkong Volunteer Corps are gazetted—Major Sir John Worrell Carrington, Kt., C.M.G., to be Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant, with effect from 25th May, 1899; Captain A. Chapman, Field Battery, to be Major 2nd in command, with effect from 25th May, 1899; Mr G. H. Potts to be Captain in 'C' Machine Gun Company, with effect from 21st June, 1899; Mr A. H. Stewart to be Lieutenant in 'C' Machine Gun Company, with effect from 21st June, 1899; Mr J. MacGregor Forbes to be Captain in 'D' Infantry Company, with effect from 27th May, 1899; Mr Robert Mitchell to be Lieutenant in the Engineer Company with effect from 13th June, 1899.

IN a return it is asserted that the world's agriculture occupies the attention of 280,000,000 men, represents a capital of £4,800,000,000, and has an annual product of over £4,000,000,000.

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Independence Day.

Consul-General Wildman will be 'At Home' to-morrow, the Glorious Fourth, from 3 to 6 p.m.

Museum.

There were 203 Chinese and 1,478 European visitors to the City Hall Museum during the week ending 2nd July.

Wedding at the Union Church.

On Saturday morning, the Union Church was the scene of a very pretty wedding, the contracting parties being Mr Harry Haynes, (London), the genial young manager of the Hongkong Hotel and Miss Euphemia (Effie) McMillan Donaldson, eldest daughter of W. McMillan Donaldson, Esq., of 'Auchengray,' Lanarkshire, Scotland. Mr J. Cameron, of the Hongkong Club, officiated as best man, and the bridesmaids were Miss Ethel Parker and Miss Dorothy (Dollie) Pennington Terrill, the bride being given away by Mr D. Macdonald of Messrs Kinghorn and Macdonald. The bride was attired in a dress of white poplin trimmed with orange blossom, etc., and the bridesmaids were charming creations of white muslin and insertion over pink silk, and white hats trimmed with chiffon and tips, and chiffon strings fastened by pretty pearl brooches, the gift of the bridegroom. The bride was conducted up the aisles by Mr Macdonald, attended by her bridesmaids, to the strains of the sweet little wedding march from 'Lohengrin,' beautifully rendered by Mr R. Douglas, the organist of the church. At the conclusion of the service the organ again pealed forth the soul-stirring melody 'Mendelssohn's Wedding March.' The Rev. Dr Wainwright, M.D., the temporary pastor, performed the service in a very impressive manner. Considering the inclemency of the weather, there was a numerous gathering of friends and residents to witness the function. After the ceremony, a reception was held at the Hongkong Hotel, and among the various toasts and good wishes of the company, the most noticeable was that of the Rev. Dr Wainwright who proposed the health of the bride and bridegroom, remarking that the numerous and costly presents which he beheld were evidences of the high esteem in which the bridegroom, as manager of such a large concern, was held, and he sincerely hoped that as efficiently as Mr Haynes managed that important and flourishing hostelry of the East, so Mrs Haynes would prove her efficiency by managing her newly-made husband in the future. The bridegroom responded in suitable terms, Mr Macdonald proposed the health of the bridesmaids, coupled with that of the best man, and at 1.30 p.m. the happy couple (the bride having changed her attire for that of a light grey travelling costume) left amid a shower of old slippers, the congratulations and good-wishes of all their friends present, for the usual honeymoon resort, i.e., Macao.—*Communicated.*

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company was held to-day at the Office of the Company, Queen's Buildings. Mr E. S. Wheeler presided. The others present were:—Hon. J. J. Keswick, Messrs N. A. Siebs, E. Goetz, H. H. Lewis, J. Van Buren and A. Haupt (Directors), D. Gillies (Chief Manager), T. I. Rose (Secretary), H. W. Looker (Solicitor), G. Murray Bain, G. de Champeaux, Hart Buck, J. Henderson, J. F. Reece, W. Parfitt, J. C. Peter and G. H. Dann.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, as long ago as February, 1897, the Chairman informed you at a half-yearly meeting that the existing Articles of Association were somewhat obsolete, and the Directors proposed to take up the question of new Articles. You have been advised at each half-yearly meeting since of the progress made with the revision of the Articles, and this meeting is now for the purpose of approving of the revised Articles. Since the notice was put in the newspapers and the Articles were placed before you, it has been proposed that some few amendments should be made to the Articles. The amendments are in accordance with what has been the practice of the Company; they are principally amendments of words, and we considered those amendments and we see no reason whatever for not accepting them. In the printing of the Articles there are a few printers' errors, which of course will be amended when the Articles are printed. I now beg to propose, gentlemen—'That the Memorandum and Articles of Association submitted to this Meeting be and the same are hereby approved and that pursuant to the provisions of The Companies (Memorandum of Association) Ordinance, 1890, the form of the Company's Constitution be altered by substituting such Memorandum of Association with extended objects as therein set forth and such Articles of Association for the Company's Deed of Settlement dated the 29th of August, 1863, and for all regulations of the Company subsequently made and now in force; and that the Directors be authorized to apply to the Court to confirm this resolution under the said Ordinance.'

Mr Lewis—I beg to second.

Mr Keswick proposed a number of amendments to the Articles.

Mr Peter seconded.

Mr Murray Bain—Mr Chairman, may I ask, are those the amendments you referred to in your opening remarks?

The Chairman—Yes.

Mr Reece—I should like to make one or two remarks. I am entirely in favour of the amendments which Mr Keswick proposed, in fact I think the suggestions came from myself. There are I think a few errors which I have no doubt will be corrected. There is only one other matter which I should like to mention, and that is the name of the Company, which seems to me somewhat obsolete. The words 'and Whampoa' are very meaningless. The Company has for some time ceased to carry on business at Whampoa, and I do not suppose it is contemplated to carry on business there. I think it would be a good thing if steps were taken to change the name of the Company by deleting these words, and making it the Hongkong Dock Company. I understand it is the wish of the Directors to leave this matter to the Court. The memorandum and Articles will come before the Court, and the Directors think it is desirable for the Court to say whether this amendment should be made.

The amendments to the Articles were approved, and the motion was carried.

The Chairman—That is all the business before the meeting, gentlemen. I am much obliged to you for your attendance, and [illegible] will be part of the confirmatory [illegible]

REUTERS TELEGRAM.

LONDON, 30th June, 1899.

GREAT BRITAIN AND THE TRANSVAAL.

Mr Fischer has reported to the Afrikander leaders the results of his mission to the Boer Government. It is understood that President Kruger is not willing to grant the concessions suggested by the Afrikanders. The newspapers announce this decision.

A battery of Field Artillery will sail for the Cape on the 15th instant, and another Railway Company of Engineers and a Field Company will be despatched.

Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman, speaking at the City Liberal Club, said that it was the duty of every patriot to avoid anything that would prejudice an amicable settlement in Africa (South), and repeated that there was nothing in what had occurred to justify warlike preparations.

The United States cruiser *Chicago* has arrived at Delagoa Bay, and Commander Harrison will proceed to Pretoria.

THE DUCHY OF SAXE-COBURG.

The Duke of Connaught has renounced the heirship of the Duchy of Coburg in favour of the Duke of Albany.

(Le Courrier d'Haiphong.)

THE FRENCH ARMY.

PARIS, June 22.

General de la Rocque, having written a letter to the President of the Republic protesting against his being placed on the retired list, has been placed under rigorous arrest.

CORRESPONDENCE.

OBSERVATIONS ON OBSERVATORIES.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Hongkong, July 2, 1899.

DEAR SIR,—It should be a rule amongst professional men to stick to their own professions and not to go interfering with other peoples'. The Reverend Mr Cobbold may know a lot about theology, but what he don't know about astronomy would fill a large book, and therefore he shouldn't go writing about eclipses and such like phenomenons without first finding out what he is writing about. The notices of eclipses is the business of the almanac maker, and not the scientist, the scientist can't be expected to lose his sleep both by night and by day bothering his brains about them. They are laid down in the Nautical Almanac, and if anybody takes the trouble to look he can find them there. And, furthermore, even if it had occurred to the Hongkong Observatory to look in the almanac and notice that the eclipse was set down for the 23rd June, the time given there is Greenwich time and not Hongkong time; and how is Mr Doberck to know exactly what hour and moment it will occur here? Of course he can approximate it by figuring from the Nautical Almanac, but that is not the business of the scientist, but only for such people as the Manila and the Siccaway Observatories and the almanac makers. Some years ago, when I was Second Mate of the Bark *Betsey Jane* of Portsmouth, I remember that Mr Shepherd used to publish an almanac of Hongkong time, but he doesn't do so any more, and if the Observatory hasn't got any almanac to go by how is it to tell us exactly when to look for eclipses here. It is the business of the scientist to give us such information as 'The area of highest depression is over the Loochoo Islands,' or 'Anticyclonic conditions prevail for steep to easy gradients on the China Coast,' and such like. He is not a prophet, and how can he tell exactly when the meteoric showers will happen. I should think prophecy was more in Mr Cobbold's line myself; but science and prophecy don't work together. You may ask how do we know that the Hongkong Observatory are scientific? Because they have as good as admitted it themselves; how else would we know it?

Some people seem to think that the Hongkong Observatory ought to be on friendly terms with the Manila Observatory, but why should we be on friendly terms with them? It ain't human nature. Why don't they send their storm warnings to Mr Doberck and not to the Consuls? If they go to the Consuls, then they go at once into the papers and that is 'sensational;' but if they were sent to him alone then he could publish them as if he had located the typhoon out of his own scientific knowledge. You wouldn't like it yourself; and that's where the shoe pinches. And besides that, the Manila people don't know enough to prognosticate about typhoons,—all they can do, and all they have ever pretended to do, was to tell the Consuls where a typhoon was located, in or about the Philippines, its probable direction, force, speed, etc., and when they don't know enough not to send anything but plain facts to the papers they are not scientists.

Some people seem to think that Mr Doberck ought to know just what sort of weather we are going to have to-morrow; Mr Cobbold had better tell him, for here is where prophecy comes in again. Every night in the *China Mail* the Observatory tells the public what sort of weather we have had that day, and what more would people have? If it has been squally and showery during the day, you will find it in the *China Mail* in the evening, but how is he to know what the weather is to be the next day? If he tried it he might make mistakes, and then he couldn't say that 96 per cent of his forecasts had come true. It is not the business of the scientist to guess, and Mr Cobbold had better stick to his own business and keeps his sackrelidgeous hands off of science.

As regards astronomical phenomenons in general and the meteoric shower in particular, I don't altogether agree with what Mr Plummer says. I know something about such matters myself, and I know what I am talking about. Once, when I was in the *Betsey Jane*, I had a hot argument with the Cook, who thought he was something of a scientist (which he was in his way), about an eclipse of the Moon and I wagered a month's pay on it. It turned out to be a bad piece of business, but I don't know as I have got time to tell about it here; some other time perhaps if you care to hear it. Many strange phenomenons have I witnessed in my time, and I have contributed a great deal of interesting matter to the papers in the different ports where I have been.—Yours truly,

DAVID JONES.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS.—At *Kowloon*,—Isla de Cuba, Isla de Luzon, Progress, Liberal, H.M.S. Tweed.

Cosmopolitan.—Don Juan de Austria.

Aberdeen.—(None).

THE UN LONG MURDERS.

A DEADLOCK.

At the Supreme Court to-day, in Criminal Sessions, before His Hon. W. M. Goodman, Acting Chief Justice, Tung Chung Sz and Cheung Chi were brought up for sentence on the charge of the murder of Tung Cheung at Un Long, on 18th April.

Mr Francis (instructed by Mr Brutton), who appears for two of the prisoners in the second charge of murder, and Mr Melbourne, who appears for the third man, were present in Court.

Mr Francis said he had to apply for a postponement of the hearing of the case till the next sessions, or if it was more satisfactory to his Lordship to an adjournment of the present special sessions.

His Lordship said the case was appointed to this Sessions, but he thought Mr Francis' application was quite reasonable, and if he desired further time he thought he ought to have it.

Mr Francis said the witnesses for the defence were not in Hongkong. He had not seen anything of his brief, and except the copy of the depositions he had received he had had no instructions as regards the defence. The men were committed on 27th of last month, and were only served with the information on the 29th of last month.

Mr Pollock thought there might be a technical point under Ordinance 2 of 1869.

Mr Francis said there was no objection under that Ordinance. It was in the absolute power of the Court to postpone any proceedings whatever in the interests of justice.

Mr Pollock said if his Lordship saw no objection as regards that point he had raised he was not opposed to the adjournment.

It was arranged that the case be taken at the next Criminal Sessions on any day convenient to the Court.

Mr Francis asked for an order for a special jury.

His Lordship granted the order.

THE COMMON JURORS DISMISSED.

His Lordship in dismissing the common jurors said—Gentlemen, I am happy to be able to inform you that the other case arranged for the Special Sessions having been postponed it will not be necessary for you to attend here any longer unless you wish to. I have to thank you for your services.

STATEMENTS BY THE PRISONERS.

His Lordship then directed Mr Dyer Ball to interpret to the prisoners that they had been found guilty of murder, and ask if they had anything to say why sentence should not be imposed upon them.

Tung Choung Sz said—It would not be right to sentence me, my Lord. I have not committed it. If I had done so I would not have dared to come down here. They purchased the witnesses to press the charge against me. Kwan Pui Chi had a sword in his hand and Li Yeen Chi had a revolver. I was wishing to be bail for Tung Cheung, but these two witnesses would not allow me to do so.

His Lordship asked that the prisoners be instructed that the Court was not going into the merits of the case.

Tung Cheung Sz (continuing) said—It is a case of false accusation against me. My house has been burned and many of the goods of my shop have been moved away. Mr Lockhart said the village was to make good to Tung Cheung's son $1000. That was paid in the second decade of the 4th moon.

Cheung Chi said—Li Yuen Chi and Kwan Pui Chi said I have killed someone. The elders and the gentry were present, and they know about it. The police have not brought up the gentry and the elders. If your Lordship will ask the gentry they will tell you. There are three men below.

MOTION FOR ARREST OF JUDGMENT.

Mr Slade, on behalf of the prisoners, moved for an arrest of judgment on the ground, first of all, that the verdict of the jury had been given in such a form that it was not a verdict upon the information as it stood; secondly, that by no possible amendment of the information in accordance with the law of the Colony could the information be altered to make it a proper verdict. The effect of the verdict of the jury was—We find the prisoners guilty of murdering this man on the 18th, but we cannot say whether the crime was committed on the 17th or 18th.

His Lordship maintained that the practical effect of the jury's verdict was that they found the prisoners guilty of murder, and they found that the murder took place either on the 17th or 18th April. It was immaterial what time the crime was committed.

Mr Slade said the rule was that it should be no objection to the indictment or information when there was a variance between the time on which the crime was proved and the time alleged in the indictment. The information could not be quashed for a different time having been proved to that which was alleged, but there was power to amend an indictment to make it correspond with the evidence. In Hongkong the powers of amendment were fettered by Ordinance 2 of 1869, where it laid down the form in which the information must be made. The verdict of the jury was that the man was murdered between 7 p.m. on the 17th or 1 p.m. on the 18th. The information could not be amended in that form because of Ordinance 2 of 1869, which said a special date must be fixed. The information could not be amended to make it agree with the verdict of the jury on account of the form specially put in the body of the Ordinance.

His Lordship showed that on these grounds a man might commit murder with impunity. It was alleged in the indictment that the murder was committed on the 18th. The jury found at first that it was committed on the 18th, and then they modified that by saying they were not sure whether it was a few minutes before midnight or after.

Mr Slade said he had an absolute right to have the information amended according to the verdict, and he submitted his Lordship could not pass sentence upon an information not according to the verdict.

His Lordship pointed out that Mr Slade's argument was inconsistent. He first of all said that the information should be amended and then argued it could not be amended. The law laid down that it was not necessary to prove an offence to have been committed on the date alleged in the indictment. He therefore held that the date was immaterial, and he held the verdict good.

Mr Slade then asked that his Lordship reserve the point as to the meaning of 'from the 17th April' in the proclamation.

After some further discussion, his Lordship said he would reserve for further consideration with Mr Justice Wise the question whether the English law of murder was in force in that part of the Colony known as the new territory on 17th April, 1899. Provided the arrangement was suitable to the Puisne Judge, he fixed Thursday at half past ten o'clock, to hear arguments of counsel.

Mr Slade asked if the question as to the nationality of the prisoners would also be reserved.

His Lordship refused this application on the ground that it was a [illegible] question.

MESSRS DALLAS AND MUSGRAVE'S DRAMATIC COMPANY.

'A PAIR OF SPECTACLES.'

On Saturday evening, Messrs Dallas and Musgrave's Dramatic Company opened for a short season at the Theatre Royal. Notwithstanding the very unfavourable weather there was a fair attendance. Fergus Hume's comedietta, 'The Old General' was given as a curtain raiser, and afforded a most amusing half-hour. Mr Dallas took the part of the 'General,' and Miss Madge Grey impersonated 'Katie Dalrymple.' Mr Kenyon Musgrave was 'Bob' and Mr D. Munro acted the part of the servant. Sydney Grundy's comedy 'A Pair of Spectacles' is well-known to local theatre-goers. It was presented quite recently by the Amateur Dramatic Company and afterwards by the talented Brough Company. Mr Henry Dallas played the part of 'the man from Sheffield' in his usual finished style, the amusing phrases being brought out with due prominence. Mr J. B. Ferrell was admirably suited to the part of 'Benjamin Goldfinch,' and Miss Madge Grey gave a sympathetic rendering of the character of 'Mrs Goldfinch.' The characters of 'Percy' and 'Dick' were in the capable hands of Messrs J. S. Hall and Kenyon Musgrave. To Miss Barbara Fenn was allotted the graceful part of 'Lucy Lorimer.' The remaining parts were well chosen. The audience gave frequent indications of their appreciation of the performance. During the intervals the orchestra of the Royal Welch Fusiliers rendered pleasing selections of music, and the executant of a piccolo solo received a well deserved round of applause. Messrs Dallas and Musgrave's Company is to be here for a week only, and will have a new bill on each evening. To-night the Company will produce 'Pink Dominoes' and to-morrow night, 'Charley's Aunt.'

THE PIERS ORDINANCE.

PETITION BY THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD.

The following petition from the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, against the second reading of the Bill entitled the Piers Ordinance, 1899, is published in the *Gazette*:—

To the Honourable the Legislative Council of Hongkong.

The Humble Petition of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited.

Respectfully Sheweth

(1.)—That your petitioners are desirous of being heard before this Honourable Council by Mr J. J. Francis, Q.C., their counsel, on the motion for the second reading of a Bill read a first time at the meeting of this Honourable Council held on the 20th instant entitled 'The Piers Ordinance, 1899,' or at such other time as may be appointed for the purpose.

(2.)—That the rights and interests of your petitioners in the Piers and Wharves owned by them in Victoria and at Kowloon and in their property generally is peculiarly affected by the property Bill and that they claim to be heard by your Honourable Council under the provisions of paragraph 52 of the Standing Orders of the Legislative Council of Hongkong.

(3.)—That your petitions are the Assignees of certain rights, powers, and privileges granted and conferred by this Honourable Council to and upon Francis Bulkeley Johnson and Catchick Paul Chater respectively by Ordinances Nos. 18 and 19 of 1884 respectively, and that if the Bill now before this Honourable Council should become law, your petitioners will be thereby deprived of many of the rights, powers, and privileges secured to them by the said Ordinances and will be grieviously affected and injured in their properties and possessions.

By the said Ordinances your Petitioners as Assignees of the said Francis Bulkeley Johnson and Catchick Paul Chater have the right for twenty years from the date of the said Ordinances, that is to say, until the 12th day of June, 1904, to do all or any of the things hereinafter mentioned free from all rents, fees and charges whatsoever, ordinary rates and taxes only excepted:—

(i.)—To construct such and so many Wharves and Piers extending into the harbour of Hongkong as they may think requisite and proper at and from any part or parts of the Public Praya lying directly opposite Marine Lots 95, 96, 97 and 98 in Victoria and Kaulung Marine Lots 8, 11, 20 and 21.

(ii.) To make such alterations and additions to such Wharves and Piers as they may at any time think requisite and proper.

(iii.)—To have for themselves and their Assigns the exclusive use of such wharves and piers with full power to mortgage, sell and assign, or to demise and let the said Piers as they shall think fit.

(iv.)—To make Rules and Regulations for the maintenance and use of the said wharves and piers and have the same enforced by fines and penalties.

(v.)—To hold and exercise all the rights, powers, and privileges granted by the said Ordinances free from all rent and charges in the nature of rents or license fees and subject only to stipulations and conditions in the said Ordinances expressly reserved and contained and to the general law.

Your Petitioners respectfully submit that by the provisions of the Bill read a first time on the 20th June and entitled 'The Piers Ordinance, 1899,' they will, contrary to the rights, powers, and privileges conferred upon and secured to them and their assigns by the said Ordinances 18 and 19 of 1884, be made subject to the payment of rent calculated upon a scale far in excess of any rent now paid for any Marine Lot let under lease from the Crown for 999 years. They will be deprived of the exclusive use of the Wharves and Piers constructed by them at an immense expense for the special purposes of their business in reliance [illegible] the provisions of the said Ordina[illegible] of the good faith of the Gov[illegible] Hongkong. They will be pre[illegible] increasing the number of, [illegible] adding to, or altering, their [illegible] and Piers. They will be dep[illegible] right to cover in their said [illegible] Piers if the necessities of [illegible] should render it expedient [illegible] do, and of their power and pri[illegible] Rules and Regulations for [illegible] ance and use of the said [illegible] Piers. They will be extremel[illegible] the conduct of their busin[illegible] fingers and Godown keepers [illegible] posed regulations in the said [illegible] by which access by water to [illegible] and Piers is or may be [illegible] the prohibitions therein con[illegible] storing or keeping materials [illegible]

They will, lastly, be dep[illegible] right to mortgage, sell, [illegible] their said Wharves and Pie[illegible] quirements of their said busin[illegible] der advisable or necessary.

Your Petitioners therefore [illegible] That they may be heard by [illegible] against the said Bill upon its [illegible] ing or at such other time as [illegible] able Council may think fit to [illegible]

And Your Petitioners, as [illegible] will ever pray, &c. &c.

J. J. Kes[illegible]
Chairman of the B[illegible]
G. F. Ch[illegible]

The Chairman of the [illegible] Edward [illegible]

Hongkong, [illegible]

HONGKONG AND THE CHINESE CUSTOMS.

OFFICIAL DESPATCHES.

The following correspondence on the subject of the proposed arrangements for the protection of Chinese revenue in Hongkong, which was laid before the Legislative Council on the 27th June, is published in the *Gazette*:—

OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT TO SECRETARY OF STATE.

Government House,
Hongkong, 29th July, 1898.

Sir,—I have the honour to transmit a copy of a despatch received on 23rd July from H. B. M.'s Minister at Peking enclosing copy of a letter from the Inspector General of Chinese Customs setting forth arrangements which, in Sir Robert Hart's opinion, are necessary for the protection of Chinese revenue under the new circumstances created by the extension of Hongkong territory, and to submit for your consideration, comments and observations on the matter treated in Sir Robert Hart's numbered paragraphs, which I follow.

1.—I strongly recommend that the Chinese Customs be not formally accorded the right to maintain its office in Hongkong and that the Commissioner of Customs be not recognised as a Chinese Official but that he remain as at present without official status of any kind. The English Government has always recognised the objections to a Chinese Consul in Hongkong, and a Consul's functions are strictly limited by law, much more should we object to the establishment in our midst of a Chinese official with ill-defined and unlimited powers. The Chinese Government should, I think, be permitted to have an agency in the Colony of a purely mercantile character merely for the purpose of issuing opium certificates unconnected in any way with any other kinds of goods and entirely of an unofficial character and beyond the control of any recognised officer of the Chinese Customs. The existing substations—Changchow, Capsuim on, Laichikok, and Fotochow—should be removed to points outside the leased territory; their retention on the present sites would be a fruitful source of friction and would always be misconstrued by the Chinese mind—there are many points both on the coast and on adjacent islands where the Chinese Customs could establish its new stations.

2.—The proposal to give the Chinese Customs the right to levy duties within the Colony of Hongkong would be a surrender to China of one of the primary functions of Government, and the right of having special jetties where these unprecedented operations would take place.

3.—A somewhat similar argument may be employed against the proposal that Chinese Customs' cruisers and launches should be allowed to exercise their functions within British waters. Besides being an infringement of our sovereignty, such right of search would interfere in an undue and unreasonable manner with the whole junk trade of the Colony, and could not fail to lead to frequent complications.

Moreover, as these Chinese Customs' vessels are officered by men of all nationalities, it would be inexpedient to give them by right such opportunities of reconnaissance and of noting naval and military arrangements. In short, it would be unwise to increase the privileges which they at present enjoy.

4.—The fourth proposal is unobjectionable as it merely sets forth an existing state of affairs.

5.—This Government has no intention to abrogate the present law concerning the movement, &c., of opium, and will be prepared to consider any amendments necessary to meet new circumstances which may be submitted. The second portion of the fifth proposal, giving a Chinese official the right to inspect establishments and shops in British territory and to overhaul their books and accounts is, I submit, wholly inadmissible.

6.—There is no idea of relaxing the present enforcement of Colonial laws. The question, however, of regarding its own officers must be left entirely to the discretion of this Government, which cannot be expected to arrange for an equal division of the proceeds of sale of confiscated goods between itself and the Chinese Government.

7.—Arms and munitions of war are now by local legislation forbidden to be shipped. As regards other contraband goods, e.g., salt, there seems to be no right on the part of one Government to claim the assistance of another Government in preventing the export of such articles. The suggestion that all permits should be issued or countersigned by the Chinese Customs is not feasible in view of the previous declaration against tolerating any officer of the Chinese Customs exercising his functions within British jurisdiction.

8. Any legislation that the Government may reasonably be called upon to enact to prevent the freedom of the port being abused to the prejudice of the neighbouring Empire will be introduced, but I submit that to give effect to the discarded proposals of Sir Robert Hart would be to hand over this free port to the domination of the Chinese Customs.

With reference to the *quid pro quo* of an easier working of the West River trad[illegible] of that likely to grow up under th[illegible] land steam navigation rules, w[illegible] gested in the concluding por[illegible] spector General's letter, [illegible] to say more than that [illegible] those regu ations [illegible] China and ca[illegible] for granti[illegible] within [illegible] be [illegible]

and Fotochow ought to be maintained as at present although they are in the leased territory. If it should be found that other stations are required they may be instituted.

2.—The Chinese Customs at Hongkong shall have the right there to collect duty and likin on any opium and similarly dues and duties on general cargo shipped on any native vessel to or from China. The Customs ought also to have the right to one or more special jetties in proximity to junk anchorages at which cargo may be examined and verified.

3.—The Chinese Customs' cruisers and launches may continue to exercise their functions within the waters of the leased territory.

4.—No opium, raw or boiled, shall be landed or stored, taken delivery of or shipped in Hongkong British Kowloon, or any of the leased territory without a permit to be issued by a Colonial Authority. Opium moved without permit, or found anywhere or in any quantity in contravention of Colonial Ordinance, shall be confiscated.

5.—The Opium Farm, i.e., an official establishment with an exclusive right to retail (only boiled) opium shall be maintained, and the Ordinances Nos. 22 of 1887 and 2 of 1891, concerning opium movement, &c., shall be confirmed and amended to meet new circumstances and to make good those points on which they are insufficient.

The boiling establishments of the Farm, its retailing shops, and its books and accounts shall be open at any time to the inspection of officers of the Chinese Customs specially deputed for that purpose.

6.—All Ordinances regarding the possession, movements, preparation, or sale of opium in the Colony and its waters, afloat and ashore, shall be rigidly enforced by the Colonial Executive and its officers rewarded from proceeds of seizures with a view to encouraging zeal.

All proceeds of sale of confiscated goods shall be divided equally between the Chinese and Colonial Governments.

7.—No arms, munitions of war, or contraband goods may be shipped on any vessels proceeding to a Chinese port in Hongkong or its waters, without a permit issued or counter-signed by the Chinese Customs.

8.—The Hongkong Government shall pass such legislation as may be necessary to give effect to the above provisions.

The above numbered paragraphs are put forward merely to represent what I consider is proper should be done at Hongkong to meet Chinese revenue requirements. I may, however, express the opinion that the system it provides for, and more especially the recognised presence of a fully authorized Chinese Customs establishment at Hongkong, gives promise of enabling measures to be taken which will make the working of the West River trade, especially at those places of call to seawards of the first port (Samshui), considerably easier than at present; also of securing arrangements which might facilitate the trade anticipated to grow up under the new inland steam rules. In both respects anything that may be possible—and without a Customs House I do not see that much will be possible—is sure to redound to the commercial advantage of the colony as well as of the Chinese trade. On this point however, the occasion does not call upon me to say more at present.—I have the honour to be, sir, your most obedient servant,

ROBERT HART,
I. G. of Customs.

His Excellency Sir C. M. MacDonald, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., &c., &c.

OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT TO SECRETARY OF STATE.

Government House,
Hongkong, 13th August, 1898.

Sir,—With reference to my despatch No. 221 of the 29th ultimo forwarding arguments against the acceptance of Sir Robert Hart's proposals for the working of the Imperial Maritime Customs after we have taken over the newly leased territory, I have the honour to transmit for your consideration copy of a letter from the local Chamber of Commerce which embodies, I believe, the views of most of the commercial men in Hongkong on this subject.

As regards their reference to assisting for a *quid pro quo* the Chinese Government more than at present in collection of duties on opium, I think it quite possible that steps might be taken in this direction, and as opium is after all the chief commodity for which the Chinese Government keep up its expensive fleet of cruisers and launches round Hongkong, the Chi[illegible] Government might, in exchange fo[illegible] increased aid, be induced to [illegible] these vessels altogether from the [illegible] and thus decrease its expenditur[illegible] creasing its revenue.

The Chamber of Commerce [illegible] tered sufficiently into detail [illegible] but I venture to suggest [illegible] tion a workable plan w[illegible] marized somewhat as [illegible]

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which has mainly contributed to build up the present prosperity of this port. Without such provision, too, it would be impossible to have that free communication and interchange of produce between Victoria and the outlying additions to the Colony which may naturally be expected to develop.

That some advantage might accrue to the Colony by its being placed on the footing of a Treaty Port, and therefore participating in the facilities afforded by the Inland Steam Regulations, is quite possible, but such advantages would be greatly outweighed by the counter-balancing drawbacks. For the Colony to accept them as equivalent for the freedom of the port, would be like bartering its birthright for a mess of pottage.

The Chamber, while invincibly opposed to the continuance in the Colony of the Customs Collectorate of a Foreign State, have no wish to place any impediment in the way of that State obtaining its rightful revenue, nor do they desire that a single dollar should be made by the Hongkong Government at the expense of China, but this can, they believe, be readily effected without the maintenance of any Customs Stations or Collectorate within the Colony.

The chief article which requires special protection for the Chinese Government is opium, and the Committee are of opinion that, in connection with this import, more could perhaps be done than is at present by the Hongkong Government in safeguarding the Chinese revenue. The present system of licensing an opium farmer leaves much to be desired and the committee would suggest that the Government should give its consideration to the formulation of some other scheme which will not only provide an effective check on the import of the drug but will trace it also to consumption or exportation.

While, however, the Committee are prepared to sanction some sacrifice in revenue in order to secure in perpetuity the freedom of the port, they would point out that in addition to, and apart from the objections already named to the proposals of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs, the damage to British prestige in China, and in the Far East generally, by the practical conversion of this Colony into a Chinese Treaty Port would be most serious, and in the eyes of the Cantonese, at any rate, would reduce Hongkong into a dependency of the Chinese Empire. Rather than accept an arrangement so humiliating, so derogatory to Great Britain, and so detrimental to the Colony's best interests, the Committee would be disposed to recommend the abrogation of the Convention and a reversion to the previous conditions.—I have the honour to be, sir, your most obedient servant,

R. CHATTERTON WILCOX,
Secretary.

To Honourable T. Sercombe Smith, Acting Colonial Secretary.

OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT TO H.B.M. MINISTER, PEKING.

Government House,
Hongkong, 15th August, 1898.

Sir,—So as to keep Your Excellency acquainted with the course of events in Hongkong regarding the Convention signed on the 9th June last, I have the honour to enclose copies of a letter from the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce and a despatch to the Secretary of State transmitting the same.

I need hardly add that the sugge[illegible] made therein as to aiding the Im[illegible] Maritime Customs in the collect[illegible] Opium duties presupposes a sim[illegible] the total withdrawal of Chinese [illegible] Stations and of their revenue [illegible] the waters of Hongkong. [illegible] our to [illegible]

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THE Company's Steamship HAICHING, Captain HODGINS, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 4th Instant, at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, July 1, 1899. 1535

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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Hongkong, July 1, 1899. 1543

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Hongkong, May 26, 1899. 1093

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Hongkong, July 1, 1899. 1536

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship CATHERINE APCAR, Captain J. G. OLIPENT, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 4th July, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to D. SASSOON, SONS & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, June 28, 1899. 1514

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Co.'s Steamship YARRA, Captain ROGLIANO, will be despatched on or about TUESDAY, the 4th July.

For Freight or Passage, apply to G. DE CHAMPEAUX, *Agent.*

Hongkong, June 27, 1899. 1504

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

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This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

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N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by the Steamers of the CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY and *vice versa.*

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, June 22, 1899. 1461

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN VIA SWATOW AND CHEFOO.

THE Company's Steamship NANCHANG, Captain FINDLAYSON, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 5th July.

For Passage or Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, June 28, 1899. 1523

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship SILESIA, Captain BEHRENS, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 6th July.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for First and Second-Class Passengers and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, June 29, 1899. 1526

[illegible]EN' LINE OF STEAM PACKET.

[illegible]LONDON *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

[illegible]eamship GLENLOCHY, [illegible] will be despatched as [illegible] July.

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[illegible] 1899. 1447

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U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu,	TUESDAY, July 18, at Noon.
City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, N'ki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Y'hama & H'lulu.,	SATURDAY, Aug. 12, at Noon.
City of Peking (via S'hai, N'saki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Y'hama and Honolulu)......	THURSDAY, Sept. 7, at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship *CHINA*, will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO *vid* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 18th July, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route.*

Though Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail route from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in United States have between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination, the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, *Agent.*

Hongkong, June 23, 1899. 1470

Occidental and Oriental Steam-ship Co.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, *VIA* THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu).	Tuesday, July 25, at Noon.
Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu).	Tuesday, Aug. 22, at Noon.
[illegible]ic (via Shanghai, [illegible]ki, Kobe, [illegible] Yoko[illegible]lulu).	Saturday, Sept. 16, at Noon.

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TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO, *VIA* INLAND SEA OF JAPAN & HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Hongkong Maru, (via S'hai, N'saki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, July 8, at Noon.
Nippon Maru, (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	THURSDAY, Aug. 3, at Noon.
America Maru, (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	TUESDAY, Aug. 29, at Noon.

THE S. S. *HONGKONG MARU* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 8th July, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route.*

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

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Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, *Agent.*

Hongkong, June 13, 1899. 1401

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHESON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILROAD Co.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN FRANCISCO & SAN DIEGO, *VIA* INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Taking Cargo and Passengers to JAPAN PORTS and HONOLULU, The UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL and SOUTH AMERICA, Etc.

S. S. *Belgian King* ...3,379 Tons...About 10th July.
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S.S. *Carlisle City*...3,002 Tons.........About 26th August.
S. S. *Thyra*..............2,406 Tons......About 20th September.

THE Steamship *Belgian King* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO and SAN DIEGO, *Via* NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on or about 10th July.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 p.m. the day previous to Sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until the same time. All Parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Diego, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents,* HONGKONG, CHINA & JAPAN.

[illegible]g, June 26, 1899. 1435

J. GAUPP & Co.,

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Mails.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS

THE Steamship *BENGAL,* Captain S. BARCHAM, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY on SATURDAY, the 8th July, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c, will be conveyed *vid* Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, *Superintendent.*

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, June 24, 1899. 1489

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX;

ALSO

PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON SATURDAY, the 15th Instant, at Noon, the Company's Steamship *SYDNEY,* Captain AUBRAY, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES *via* BOMBAY.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the s. s. *Polynésien,* which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails, leaving that Port on the 29th June, direct to SUEZ, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal Places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 14th Instant. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, *Agent.*

Hongkong, July 1, 1899. 1541

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA & BALTIC PORTS;

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LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N. B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Bayern........	Wednesday	July 19.
Prinz Heinrich,	Wednesday	August 16.
Preussen......	Wednesday	Sept. 13.
Sachsen........	Wednesday	October 11.
Bayern........	Wednesday	November 8.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 19th day of July, 1899, at 9 a.m., the Company's S. S. *BAYERN,* Captain E. PREHN, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this port as above, *calling at* NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 17th July. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 18th July, and Parcels will be received (at the Agency's Office) until Noon on TUESDAY, the 18th July. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation, and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

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Hongkong, June 21, 1899. 1456

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Hongkong, January 9, 1899. 82

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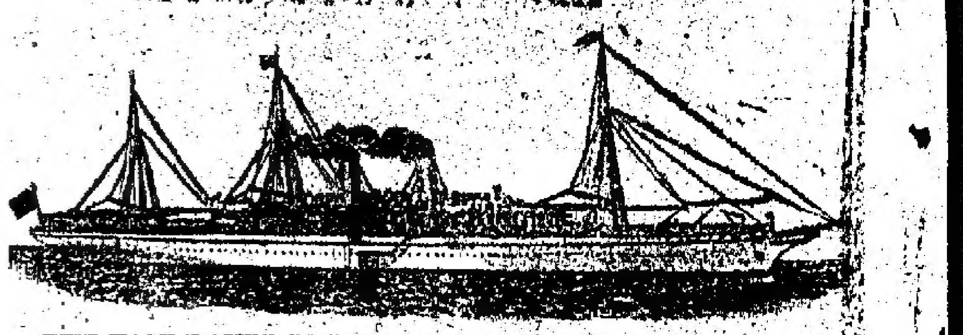
CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.



THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, *VIA* CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

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SAFETY—SPEED—PUNCTUALITY.

Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(Subject to Alteration.)

EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. GEO. A. LEE, R.N.R.... WEDNESDAY, 19th July /99.
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. ARCHIBALD, R.N.R.... WEDNESDAY, 9th Aug. /99.
EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. MARSHALL, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 30th Aug. /99.

THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW STEAMSHIPS of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.), in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

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The attractive features of this Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition) and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, etc., apply to

D. E. BROWN, *General Agent,* PEDDER STREET.

Hongkong, June 29, 1899. 1524

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD (FREIGHT SERVICE). HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE. (EAST ASIATIC SERVICE).

(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS in the LEVANTE; BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS; NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Destinations.	Sailing Dates.	
S. S. *AMBRIA,* Capt. BURMEISTER,	HAVRE and H'BURG. (L'don with transhipment in H'burg).	5th July.	Freight.
S. S. *Deike Rickmers,* Capt. BAHLE,	NEW YORK Via SUEZ CANAL.	About 6th July.	Freight.
* S. S. *SARNIA,* Capt. LÜNESCHLOSS,	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (London with transhipment in H'burg).	About 9th July.	Freight & Passage.
S. S. *Ellen Rickmers,* Captain H. JACOBS,	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (L'don with transhipment in H'burg).	About 31st July.	Freight.
* S. S. *SILESIA,* Capt. BEHRENS,	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (London with transhipment in H'burg).	About 6th August.	Freight & Passage.

* These Steamers have Superior Accommodation for Passengers, and carry a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Calling at NAPLES for Passengers only, if sufficient inducement offers.

For further particulars as to Freight, Passage, etc., apply to

CARLOWITZ & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, June 22, 1899. 1377

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Destinations.	Sailing Dates.
HITACHI MARU, J. B. MURRAY,	KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	WEDNESDAY, 5th July, at 4 p.m.
HAKUAI MARU, M. NISHIMURA,	VLADIVOSTOCK, *Via* SWATOW, AMOY, SHANGHAI, CHEFOO, CHEMULPO and NAGASAKI.	THURSDAY, 6th July, at Noon.
YAMAGUCHI MARU, R. NUNOME,	KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	THURSDAY, 6th July, at 4 p.m.
INABA MARU, W. BAINBRIDGE,	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, *Via* SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	TUESDAY, 11th July, at 4 p.m.
HIROSHIMA MARU, S. YOSHIZAWA,	BOMBAY, Via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.	THURSDAY, 13th July, at Noon.
KAMAKURA MARU, N. TRENNT,	MARSEILLES, LONDON, AND ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	THURSDAY, 27th July, at 4 p.m.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, Etc., apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 7, Praya Central.

A. S. MIHARA, *Manager.*

Hongkong, July 3, 1899. 1499

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Via Shanghai, Inland Sea of Japan, Kobe and Yokohama.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA IN CONNECTION WITH **Northern Pacific Railway Co.**

FOR PORTLAND, OREGON, IN CONNECTION WITH **Oregon Railroad & Navigation Co.**

Steamer.	Tons	Captain.	Proposed Sailing.	Steamer	Tons	Captain	Proposed Sailing.
* *Victoria*	3502	J. Panton.........	July 4	† *Columbia*	2976	T. H. Dobson....	July 8
Tacoma ...	2811	A. Dixon	July 29	*Mon'shire*..	2874	W. A. Evans.....	July 22
Glenogle ...	3750	R. D. Jones	Aug. 8	*Lennox*.....	3677	J. C. Williamson	Aug. 19
Olympia ...	2837	J. Truebridge ...	Sept. 2	*Columbia*..	2976	T. H. Dobson	Sept. 23

* The S.S. *Victoria,* Calling at AMOY. † The S.S. *Columbia,* Calling at HONOLULU.

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The following notes and records appeared in the *Sydney Morning Herald* prior to the first test match at Nottingham:—

In the matter of records Australia comes out on top in several. The best partnership is by Gregory and Trott for any wicket, 221 in the first test match in 1894 at Lord's. The highest total (551) in England is to Australia's credit, and so is the highest in Australia, 586 in 1894. England's best are respectively 483 in 1893, and 551 in 1897. But Australia also claims the two lowest records—44 at the Oval in 1896, and 42 at Sydney in 1888. In the general average Englishmen level with 349 innings, 107 not-outs, 18,925 runs, average from the bat 22.47, to the Australians' 337 innings, 107 not-outs, 18,043 runs, average from the bat 20.50. Consequently, the bowling averages of the Englishmen are also better, 840 wickets having been secured at a cost of 21.59 each; and the Australians are 813 wickets, costing 23.39 apiece. The general averages are:—

England		Australia	
In England	234.55	In England	167.66
In Australia	236.60	In Australia	242.27

In the gross the Englishmen lead easily.

The first test match was played in Melbourne in 1877, and was won by Australia by 45 runs. It was remarkable for three incidents—C. Bannerman's score of 165 (retired hurt), the victory was the first gained by Australians on even terms, and thirdly, two Australians, destined to make history in the world's cricket, Spofforth and Murdoch, champions in their departments, did not take part. Spofforth wanted Murdoch to keep wickets, as he did not think Blackham could take him. The selectors of the Australian Eleven wanted the Victorian, and the latter played. In the second match Spofforth and Murdoch were chosen, and Australia lost by four wickets. It was not until September, 1880, that the first test match in England eventuated. That engagement was remarkable for W. G. Grace's 152 and Murdoch's 153 not out, England won by five wickets. Since then the England v. Australia engagements have found a regular place in the English programme.

The first sensational finish was at the Oval in 1882, when Australia won by 7 runs. The excitement was intense; in fact a sudden death occurred amongst the spectators just as the match was won. No finer exhibition of pluck has ever been witnessed than was shown on the Kennington Oval that day by the Australians. When Grace retired there still remained six of the finest bats in England to make 32 runs, and, on paper, the match was as good as an easy victory for England. But what happened? Instead of losing heart the two bowlers, Spofforth and Boyle, bowled perhaps as they never bowled before. Twelve consecutive overs were sent down to Alfred Lyttleton and A. P. Lucas without a single run being scored; and keeping up that magnificent form they got rid of the remaining six wickets for 25 runs. Many of the batsmen were said to be in a highly nervous state, and one amateur admitted, as he walked from the pavilion to the crease, that he did not know whether he had a bat or broomstick in his hand. Massie played a marvellous innings for 55. In 1885, at Sydney, Australia secured a 6 runs victory, in 1887, also at Sydney, England won by 13 runs, and at the Oval in 1890 by two wickets. In 1894, at Sydney, Australia required 19 and had four wickets to fall, and lost by 10 runs after having had a great lead on the first innings. Gregory scored 201 in 244 minutes, and, with Blackham, added 154 for the ninth wicket. In 1896, at Manchester, the finish was so exciting that those Australians who had lost their wickets left the ground before the finish. They, however, won by three wickets. Ranjitsinhji scored 62 and 154 not out, and Iredale 108. Of the 51 matches that have been played England has won 26, Australia 19, six have been drawn, and one (at Manchester) was abandoned without a ball being bowled.

The following are the averages, including the Oxford University match:—

BATTING AND BOWLING AVERAGES.

BATTING AVERAGES.

	Innings.	N.O.	H.S.	Agg't.	Avg.
Noble	9	2	116*	358	51·14
Kelly	5	1	50*	128	32
Darling	9	1	108*	248	31
Gregory	9	1	124	241	30·12
Laver	7	3	39	120	30
Trumper	7	0	82	192	27·42
Iredale	9	0	77	228	25·33
Worrall	5	0	53	118	23·6
Hill	9	0	39	205	22·77
Trumble	9	2	51	130	18·57
Jones	4	0	54	65	16·25
Howell	5	1	20*	57	14·25
M'Leod	6	1	20*	39	7·8
Johns	2	0	12	12	6

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES.

	Wickets.	Runs.	Average
Howell	26	206	7·92
Trumble	42	471	11·21
Noble	16	292	18·25
Jones	14	270	19·28
M'Leod	8	178	22·25
Laver	3	70	23·33
Worrall	1	59	59

The bowling results have not been cabled in full. The foregoing averages have been compiled from particulars to hand.

AN EPIDEMIC OF DIARRHOEA.

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Hongkong Tides.

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The zero of the table is Low Water Ordinary Spring Tides, which has been found to be 2 feet below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 5 ft. 7 in., and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 12 ft. 9 in. to the height given in the table.

4th to 10th July.

Day of Week	Day of Month	High Water: Hongkong Mean Time	High Water: Height	Low Water: Hongkong Mean Time	Low Water: Height
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Tues.	4	m 5 [illegible]	4 9	1 29 a	−0 10
		8 18 a	1 7	11 47 a	1 2
Wed.	5	m 6 35	4 6	2 9 a	−1 0
		9 8 a	1 8		
Thur.	6	m 7 20	4 9	m 0 34	1 2
		9 [illegible] a	1 9	2 45 a	−1 7
Fri.	7	m 8 0	4 11	m 1 9	1 1
		10 [illegible] a	1 10	[illegible]	−1 [illegible]
Sat.	8	m 8 37	5 0	m 1 [illegible]	1 0
		10 [illegible] a	1 10	[illegible]	−1 10
Sun.	9	m 9 [illegible]	4 12	m 2 17	0 11
		11 [illegible] a	1 11	[illegible]	−1 [illegible]
Mon.	10	m [illegible]	4 10	m [illegible]	[illegible]
		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	−1 [illegible]

LATE TELEGRAMS.

The U.S. Institute Gold Medal.

Simla, June 13.—The United Service Institute gold medal this year has been won by Colonel F. Neville, Assistant Quartermaster General, Madras Command, with an essay on tactics for Indian frontier warfare.

Lord Kitchener and India.

Allahabad, June 18.—The *Pioneer* says the report that Lord Kitchener is to be summoned to India at the instance of the Viceroy with the mission to reduce military expenditure is only worthy of notice because rumour is busy in consequence. One surmise is that the present Military Member may contemplate retirement, and that it may be in his place that the Sirdar is coming. Of this it is enough to say that even if Sir Edwin was thinking of departure Lord Kitchener could not under the Statute succeed to the vacancy, the two seats allowed to non-Indian members being already occupied, while there is not the smallest reason to suppose that the present Military Member, who, from his long and intimate familiarity with all the details of the Indian Army administration, must be far better qualified to keep watch over economy than any outsider could possibly be, harbours any such intention.

Earthquake at Gilgit.

Simla, June 13.—By the courtesy of the Amir the walls round the various British grave-yards at Kandahar are now in course of erection, and the graves themselves put into repairs.

A severe earthquake occurred at Gilgit on 25th May. The hospital collapsed, the Agency house was damaged and the out-buildings rendered unsafe, while countless avalanches occurred on the broken hillsides round. The watercourses also filled with debris and had to be cleared before the irrigation of crops could be resumed. The sky became clouded with dust at the time, and since then the weather there has completely changed, clouds having gathered and a number of storms taken place. But little damage was done to Gilgit outstations.

Chief Engineer Drowned.

Calcutta, June 12. Mr Langley, Chief Engineer of the steamer *Winifred*, fell out of a boat into the river and was drowned.

R. A. Reliefs.

Simla, June 13. Under instructions from the War Office, No. 5 Company, Eastern Division, R. A., now proceeds from Rangoon to Aden next cold season, instead of No. 22, Western Division, which remains at Rangoon.

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June 2nd.—AT 4 P.M.

Station.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Weather.	Rain.
Wl'ostock	29.61	67	—	ESE	6	o	—
Tokio	29.86	—	—	NE	2	—	—
Kochi	29.83	—	—	SE	2	—	—
Nagasaki	29.83	—	—	SW	6	—	—
Kagoshima	29.83	—	—	W	4	—	—
Gutzlaff	29.79	86	70	S	2	cv	—
Sharp Pk.	29.74	85	94	E	2	b	—
Amoy	29.75	88	76	S	2	c	—
Swatow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canton	29.6	82	91	NE	4	—	—
Hongkong	29.65	79	91	ESE	3	od	—
Vict. Peak	—	—	—	SE	6	—	—
Gap Rock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Macao	29.62	80	—	E	1	or	—
Haiphong	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	29.72	84	85	W	1	c	—
Malate	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
C.S. James	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

June 3rd.—AT 10 A.M.

Station.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Weather.	Rain.
Wl'ostock	29.50	67	99	SE	1	or	—
Tokio	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kochi	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gutzlaff	29.77	81	87	S	2	cv	—
Sharp Pk.	29.73	84	95	ENE	1	o	—
Amoy	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Swatow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hongkong	29.71	82	82	E	3	o	—
Vict. Peak	—	—	—	SE	8	—	—
Gap Rock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Macao	29.69	87	—	ESE	1	c	—
Haiphong	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malate	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
C.S. James	—	—	—	SW	4	f	—

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Esk	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	3	200	Lt.-Com. C. Chadwick	Shanghai
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5700	Lieut.-Com. R. J. Keyes	Weihaiwei
Firebrand	gunboat, 2nd class	455	2	360	———	Hongkong
Grafton	cruiser, 1st class	7350	12	12,000	Captain F. W. Fisher	Manila
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	———	Hongkong
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	———	Hongkong
Hermione	cruiser, 2nd class	4360	10	9000	Capt. G. A. Callaghan	Shanghai
Humber	storeship	1640	—	1640	Comdr. H. J. Davison	Weihaiwei
Iphigenia	cruiser, 2nd class	3600	8	9000	Capt. H. N. Dudding	Weihaiwei
Linnet	gun-vessel, 2nd class	756	2	870	Com. Wm. W. Smythe	Weihaiwei
Orlando	armoured cruiser, 1st class	5600	12	8500	Captain J. H. T. Burke	Singapore
Peacock	gunboat, 1st class	755	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. P. S. St. John	Manila
Phœnix	sloop	1050	6	1400	Capt. R. P. Cochran	Singapore
Pigmy	gunboat, 1st class	755	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. J. F. Green	Hongkong
Plover	gunboat, 1st class	755	6	1200	Lt.-Com. C. V. de M. Cowper	Hongkong
Powerful	cruiser, 1st class	14,200	14	25,000	Capt. Hon. H. Lambton	Weihaiwei
Rattler	gunboat, 1st class	715	6	1200	Lt.-Com. Hon. G. A. Hardinge	Foochow
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Comdr. Carr	West River
Swift	gun-vessel, 2nd class	756	2	870	Comd. C. W. Winnington-Ingram	Hongkong
Tamar	receiving ship	4650	—	—	Commodore Francis Powell	Hongkong
Tweed	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	2	200	———	Hongkong
Undaunted	armoured cruiser, 1st class	5600	12	8500	Capt. A. C. Clarke	Weihaiwei
Victorious	battleship, 1st class	14,900	16	12,000	Capt. A. Schomberg	Yokohama
Waterwitch	Surveying ship	620	—	450	Comdr. W. P. Dawson	Fu-ning
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5900	Lieut.-Com. E. Kelly	Weihaiwei
Wivern	coastdefence ship, armoured	2750	4	1000	———	Hongkong
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Com. H. D. S. Watson	Yangtse River
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	550	———	Yangtse River

* Flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir E. H. Seymour, K.C.B. † Flagship of Rear-Admiral C. S. P. Fitzgerald.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at
Kaiserin Elizabeth	Austrian cruiser	4000	23	—	Capt. Julius Beck von Wellstaedt	Yokohama
Saida	Austrian cruiser	2350	—	—	Captain Guardo	Saigon
Aspic	French gunboat	475	3	450	Commander Journet	Saigon
D'Entrecasteaux	French flagship	—	—	—	Captain de Maroll	Saigon
Descartes	French cruiser	4000	14	8500	Capt. Philibert	Foochow
Eclaireur	French cruiser	1658	8	2050	Capt. Texier	Taku
Jean Bart	French cruiser	—	—	—	———	Kwongchauwan
Kersaint	French gunboat	1250	6	2200	Capt. de la Motte du Portail	Haiphong
Léon	French gunboat	470	—	—	Capt. Amet	Shanghai
Pascal	French cruiser	3988	14	8500	Captain de Brétizel	———
Surprise	French gunboat	629	2	900	Captain de Plessix	Saigon
Vauban	French cruiser	—	—	—	Captain Blondel	Kwongchauwan
Deutschland	German ironclad	8000	—	8000	Captain Muller	Kiaochau
Gefion	German cruiser	4109	10	9000	Captain Rollmann	Nagasaki
Irene	German cruiser	4200	8	2930	Commander Obenheimer	Foochow
Kaiser	German flagship	7677	15	5700	Captain Stubenrauch	Shanghai
Kaiserin Augusta	German cruiser	6331	20	14,000	Captain Koellner	Nagasaki
Moeve	German gunboat	800	—	—	Capt. Merten	Amoy
Elba	Italian cruiser	2732	12	6500	Capt. Ceccani	Shanghai
Etna	Italian cruiser	3530	10	6988	Capt. Giovanni Giorello	Shanghai
Marco Polo	Italian cruiser	4583	21	10,000	Captain Incoronato	Shanghai
Piemonte	Italian cruiser	2639	15	12,200	———	Shanghai
Stromboli	Italian cruiser	3898	12	6131	Captain Constantino	Shanghai
Africa	Portuguese transport	1460	—	—	Capt. Vasco Carvalho	Macao
Liberal	Portuguese gunboat	400	3	400	Comdr. Cunha Lima	Macao
Admiral Kornieloff	Russian cruiser	5500	10	9000	Captain Molas	Port Arthur
Aleout	Russian gunboat	810	2	730	Captain Parenego	Vladivostock
Bobre	Russian sloop	950	2	1150	Captain Boisman	Nagasaki
Dimitry Donskoy	Russian cruiser	6000	16	7000	Capt. Sharon	Nagasaki
Gaidamak	Russian gunboat	500	9	3500	Capt. Serebrennikff	———
Gremiastchy	Russian gunboat	1490	2	2000	Capt. Miklashovsky	Nagasaki
Korejetz	Russian sloop	1200	9	2150	Captain Sillman	Nagasaki
Mandshur	Russian sloop	1200	3	1400	Commander Kachaloff	Chemulpo
Navarin	Russian 2nd class battleship	10,000	4	—	Captain Feniche	Port Arthur
Otvajny	Russian gunboat	1490	2	2000	Captain Coprianoff	Nagasaki
Pamiat Azova	Russian cruiser	6000	15	8000	Captain Niedermiller	Nagasaki
Rossia	Russian cruiser	12,200	28	—	Captain Domojiroff	Nagasaki
Rurik	Russian flagship	10,923	20	13,250	Comdr. Goupt	Nagasaki
Silatch	Russian gunboat	950	2	1125	Captain Barranoff	Port Arthur
Sissoi Veliky	Russian 2nd class battleship	10,000	14	8500	Captain Mollas	Nagasaki
Sivootch	Russian gunboat	950	2	1120	Captain Niedermuller	———
Vladimir Monamach	Russian armoured cruiser	6000	16	7000	Captain Prince Ouchtomsky	Port Arthur
Vsadnik	Russian gunboat	500	11	3500	Capt. Rogulia	———
Zabijaka	Russian cruiser	1230	6	1194	Commander Komaroff	Vladivostock
Baltimore	U. S. cruiser	4413	10	10 064	———	Samoa
Bennington	U. S. gunboat	1710	6	3436	Commander E. D. Taussig	Manila
Buffalo	U. S. cruiser	6888	6	3600	Comdr. J. N. Hemphill	Manila
Callao	U. S. gunboat	137	1	55	Lieut. Benjamin Tappan	Manila
Castine	U. S. gunboat	1177	8	2199	Commander S. W. Very	Manila
Celtic	U. S. supply ship	6428	—	1890	Lieut.-Comdr. N. J. K. Patch	Manila
Charleston	U. S. cruiser	3730	8	6666	Captain W. H. Whiting	Manila
Concord	U. S. cruiser	1700	6	3405	Lieut.-Com. J. B. Briggs	Manila
Culgoa	U. S. supply ship	7000	—	2350	Lieut.-Comdr. J. W. Carlin	Manila
Helena	U. S. gunboat	1397	8	1988	Captain W. T. Swinburne	Manila
Iris	U. S. distilling ship	6100	—	1300	Lt.-Comdr. N. T. Houston	Manila
Manila	U. S. gunboat	1057	2	750	Lieut.-Com. F. Singer	Manila
Monadnock	U. S. monitor	3990	6	3000	Capt. H. E. Nichols	Manila
Monocacy	U. S. gunboat	1370	6	850	Comdr. G. A. Bicknell	Manila
Monterey	U. S. monitor	4084	4	5244	Comdr. E. H. C. Leutze	Manila
Oregon	U. S. 1st class battleship	10,288	16	11,111	Captain A. S. Barker	Manila
Petrel	U. S. gunboat	892	4	1025	Commander C. C. Cornwell	Manila
Princeton	U. S. gunboat	1000	6	800	Commander C. H. West	Manila
Yorktown	U. S. gunboat	1710	6	3392	Commander C. S. Sperry	Manila
Yosemite	U. S. cruiser	6179	10	3800	Captain R. P. Leary	Manila

Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL .... £1,000,000.
PAID UP CAPITAL, ... £ 324,874.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors.
CHAN KIT SHAN, Esq. | D. GILLIES, Esq.
CHOW TUNG SHANG, Esq. | KWAN HOI CHUEN, Esq.
J. T. LAUTS, Esq.

Chief Manager:
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed ... ... 5%.

Hongkong, May 30, 1899. 171

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, ... Tls. 5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL, ... " 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
BRANCHES AND AGENCIES.

CANTON, HANKOW,
CHEFOO, PEKING,
CHINKIANG, SWATOW,
FOOCHOW, TIENTSIN.

THE Bank Purchases and receives for Collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.
Advances made on approved securities. Bills Discounted.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at the Rate of 2% per Annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 3 Months ... 3%
" " 6 " ... 4%
" " 12 " ... 5%

E. W. RUTTER,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, October 15, 1898. 1970

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED,

ESTABLISHED 1880.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, ... Yen 12,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL ... ... " 12,000,000
RESERVE FUND ... ... " 7,300,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:
TOKIO. KOBE. NAGASAKI.
LONDON. LYONS. NEW YORK.
SAN FRANCISCO. HONOLULU. BOMBAY.
SHANGHAI.

LONDON BANKERS:
The London Joint Stock Bank, Limited,
Parr's Bank, Limited,
The Union Bank of London, Limited.

HONGKONG AGENCY.—Interest allowed.
On Current Account at the Rate of 2% per annum on the daily balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months, 5% per annum.
On fixed deposits for 6 months, 4% per annum.
On fixed deposits for 3 months, 3% per annum.

S. CHOH, *Agent.*

Hongkong, July 1, 1899. 589

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 1, 1895. 1517

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.
HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £500,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 % per annum on the Daily balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 %
" " " 6 " 3½ %
" " " 3 " 2½ %

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 20, 1899. 846

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000
PAID UP .... £ 562,500
RESERVE FUND .... £ 20,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months .... 4 %
" 6 " .... 3½ %
" 3 " .... 2½ %

J. THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, April 29, 1899. 2340

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL .... $10,000,000.
RESERVE FUND .... $10,000,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS .... $10,000,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
R. M. GRAY, Esq.—Chairman.
N. A. SIEBS, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.
E. Goetz, Esq. | Alex. MacConachie, Esq.
Armin Haupt, Esq. | A. J. Raymond, Esq.
R. H. Hill, Esq. | P. Sachse, Esq.
Hon. J. J. Keswick. | E. Shellim, Esq.
R. Shewan, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—Sir T. JACKSON.
MANAGER:
Shanghai—J. P. WADE GARD'NER, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING CO., LD.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 3 months 2½ per cent per annum.
" 6 " 3½ " "
" 12 " 4 " "

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, June 6, 1899. 368

Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 339.

THE following Particulars of SALE of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Offices of the Public Works Department, on TUESDAY, the 4th day of July, 1899, at 3 p.m., are published for general information.

By Command,
J. G. T. BUCKLE,
for the Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Hongkong, 17th June, 1899. 1507

Particulars of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on TUESDAY, the 4th day of July, 1899, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land, at Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

Particulars of the Lot.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	Kowloon Inland Lot 888.	Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon, (back of Wharf & Godown Co.'s premises).	70	70	45	450	31500	268	18900

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 340.

THE following Particulars of SALE of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held on the Spot, on WEDNESDAY, the 5th day of July, 1899, at 4 p.m., are published for general information.

By Command,
J. G. T. BUCKLE,
for the Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Hongkong, 17th June, 1899. 1521

Particulars of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on WEDNESDAY, the 5th day of July, 1899, at 4 p.m., at Aberdeen, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Two Lots of Crown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

Particulars of the Lots.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	Aberdeen Inland Lot 74	Aberdeen (near Paper Mills)	60	60	10	10	600	2	[illegible]
2	75	Do.	110	100	50	50	5,000	12	600

Notices to Consignees.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *BAYERN.*

THE above-named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

OPTIONAL CARGO will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 4th July, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Tuesday, 4th July, and Thursday, the 6th July, at 9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 14th July, or they will not be recognised.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, June 27, 1899. 1503

'SHIRE' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBRO', LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Merionethshire*, Captain D. DAVIES, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th July will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th July, at 2.30 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by—

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, June 29, 1899. 1527

Intimations.

IMPORTANT TO ARCHITECTS, CIVIL ENGINEERS, BUILDERS, &c., &c.

THE INDUSTRIAL ART.

MOSAIC TILES, ARTIFICIAL STONE AND MARBLE CORNICES, TOMBSTONES, WATER PIPES, DRAINS, &c., &c.

The Manager of this Manufactory, being by profession an Architect, Civil Engineer and Sculptor, we are in position to accept orders for all sorts of Artistic Decorations in Artificial Marble, Stone or Plaster of Paris, both for inside or outside of Buildings. Though new to the Far East, Articles of this Class are largely used all over Europe, with advantageous results, being more economical and durable, besides having a much more finished appearance than the ordinary materials now in use in the Colony.

Our Mosaic Tiles are very much cheaper and more durable than the Baked Clay Tiles from Europe.

Samples of Articles from our Manufactory may be inspected at our Show Rooms, No. 18, D'Aguilar Street.

L. LE BRETON & Co.,
General Agents.

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Plates, Papers, Films, Chemicals, Kodaks, Cameras, &c., &c.

Coast Port Orders Executed.

ACHEE & CO.,
FURNITURE STORE, 17 QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG. 1108

Notices to Consignees.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *VICTORIA*,
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI & SHANGHAI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL & Co., LTD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, June 26, 1899. 1493

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *SOCOTRA*.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ, BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 11 a.m., TO-DAY, the 28th Instant.

Goods not cleared by the 4th July, at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, June 28, 1899. 1512

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *MANILA*.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:—
From ITALY, &c., ex s. s *Thames*.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 p.m. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 6th July, at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns, and a Certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, June 30, 1899. 1531

UNITED STATES & CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

FROM NEW YORK & STRAITS.

THE Steamship *INDRALEMA*, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo by her, are hereby informed that their Goods, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LD., AT KOWLOON, whence delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 6th July will be subject to rent.

No Fire insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all Claims for Damages and/or shortages not later than the 13th July, otherwise they will not be recognised.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, June 29, 1899. 1528

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessel, during it stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

DRUMBARTON, British 4-masted ship, Spurring.—C. Richardson & Co.

Auctions.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

MESSRS. HUGHES AND HOUGH have received instructions from the Mortgagee to Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

at their OFFICE ICE HOUSE STREET, Victoria,

ON

SATURDAY,

the 8th day of July, 1899, at 12 o'clock Noon,—

ALL THAT VERY VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY Situate at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, and registered in the Land Office as MARINE LOT No. 110.

The PROPERTY, which is known as Nos. 66, 67 and 68, PRAYA EAST, and Nos. 68 and 78, WANCHAI ROAD, is held for the residue of a term of 999 years from the 11th October, 1859, at the yearly Crown Rent of £67.10.

Further Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be obtained of

Messrs. DEACON & HASTINGS,
Vendor's Solicitors,
35, Queen's Road,
and of
The Auctioneers.

Hongkong, June 28, 1899. 1518

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

on

FRIDAY,

the 14th July, 1899, at 3 o'clock in the AFTERNOON, at the PREMISES,—

ALL THOSE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES, situate at STATION STREET NORTH, MONGKOK, YAUMATEE, in the Dependency of Kowloon, known as KOWLOON INLAND LOTS Nos. 482, 483, 484, 485 and 486, containing in the whole 5250 square feet.

The said PREMISES are held for the respective residues of 5 several terms of 75 years each to be Granted by Crown Leases thereof and are subject to the Payment of the several Crown rents of $16 each or $80 per annum.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale apply to

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers,
or to
WILKINSON & GRIST,
Solicitors for the Vendor.

Hongkong, June 30, 1899. 1534

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

ON

SATURDAY,

the 15th day of July, 1899, at 3 o'clock in the AFTERNOON, at the PREMISES, the following VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES, situate at HUNG HOM WEST, in the Dependency of Kowloon and Colony of Hongkong.

LOT 1.—All that PIECE of GROUND PORTION of HUNG HOM INLAND LOT No. 198, intended to be Registered as SECTION A OF HUNG HOM INLAND LOT No. 198, containing an area of 11,400 square feet. Together with the Buildings and Factory thereon known as 17 Hung Hom West. The said Premises are held for the residue of the term of 75 years under Crown Lease. Proportion of Crown Rent $152.76. This Lot is let at the Annual Rental $666 Payable monthly on a monthly tenancy, and the Lot is sold subject to such tenancy.

LOT 2.—All that PIECE OF GROUND being other Portion of HUNG HOM INLAND Lot No. 198, intended to be Registered as SECTION B OF HUNG HOM INLAND LOT No. 198, containing an area of 18,700 square feet. Together with the Buildings and Factory thereon known as 16 Hung Hom West. The said Premises are held under Crown Lease for the residue of the term of 75 years. Proportion of Crown Rent $250.59. This Lot is let at an Annual Rental of $720 Payable monthly, on a Lease expiring 2nd December next, and is sold subject to such letting.

LOT 3.—All that PIECE OF PARCEL of VALUABLE BUILDING GROUND being other portion of Hung Hom Inland Lot No. 198 intended to be registered in the Land Office as THE REMAINING PORTION OF HUNG HOM INLAND LOT No. 198, containing an area of 19,600 square feet. These premises are immediately adjoining on the East side of 16 Hung Hom West, and are held for the residue of the term of 75 years under Crown Lease. Crown Rent for the whole lot $666, of which $403.35 is payable by the owners of Sections A and B as above mentioned. Possession of this Lot will be given to the purchaser on the completion of his purchase.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers,
or to
WILKINSON & GRIST,
Solicitors for the Vendor.

Hongkong, June 30, 1899. 1533

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the Market.
5. From The Market to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellet's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessel's Names.	Anchorage.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons nett.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Ambria	k w	Burmeister	Ger. str.	3288	July 3	Carlowitz & Co.		
Belgian King	7 c	Weiss	British str.	2170	July 2	Butterfield & Swire		
Catherine Apcar	4 c	Olifent	British str.	1730	June 27	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore & Calcutta	July 4.
Chow Tai	3 c	Groves	Brit. str.	1115	July 2	Yuen Fat Hong		
Chwnshan	3 c	Messer	British str.	1280	June 23	Bradley & Co.		
Clara	3 c	Hansen	Ger. str.	675	July 2	Jebsen & Co.		
Columbia	4 c	Dobson	British str.	1816	June 22	Dodwell & Co., Ld.		
Dagmar	3 c	Nielsen	British str.	921	June 27	Harling, B. & Menzell	Saigon	July 4.
Deuteros	3 c	Petersen	Ger. str.	1091	June 25	Siemssen & Co.		
Doyo Maru	3 c	Kegami	Japan. str.	2548	June 29	Order		
Else	3 c	Petersen	Ger. str.	903	June 28	Jebsen & Co.		
Feiching	3 c	Symons	Chi str.	926	July 2	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Germania	3 c	Muller	Ger. str.	1714	June 28	Jebsen & Co.		
Godaverey	3 c	Orsim	French str.	713	April 1	Chinese		
Haiching	5 h	Hodgins	British str.	1267	June 30	Douglas Steamship Co.	Amoy and Tamsui	July 4.
Haitan	5 h	Roach	British str.	1183	July 1	Douglas Steamship Co.	Swatow & Foochow	July 4.
Hakusi Maru	k w	Nishimura	Japan. str.	1416	June 29	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Vladivostock, &c.	July 6.
Hanoi	3 c	Minard	French str.	733	July 1	A. R. Marty		
Hating	3 c	Jensen	French str.	705	June 29	A. R. Marty	Haiphong	July 5.
Hongkong Maru	3 c	Filmer	Japan. str.	3385	June 29	Toyo Kisen Kaisha		
Jason	4 c	Lycett	British str.	1336	July 3	Butterfield & Swire		
Kachidate Maru	7 c	Fuji ki	Japan. str.	2143	July 2	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
Kwang Lee	3 c	Lincoln	Chi. str.	1605	July 1	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Nanyang	5 h	Lehmann	Ger. str.	983	July 2	Douglas Steamship Co.	Sandakan	July 5.
Onsang	7 c	Young	Brit. str.	1776	June 29	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Phra Chula Chom Klao	3 c	Pigot	British str.	1012	June 30	Yuen Fat Hong		
Phra Nang	3 c	Majer	British str.	1021	June 30	Yuen Fat Hong		
Produce	4 c	Bull	Norw. str.	1002	June 25	Order		
Progress		Brandt	Ger. str.	687	June 27	Siemssen & Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Propontis	3 c	Crawford	British str.	1390	July 2	Heung Sing S. S. Co.		
Siam	3 c	Glahan	Danish str.	2489	June 30	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Sishan	3 c	Jones	British str.	849	June 29	Bradley & Co.	Swatow & Amoy	July 4.
Suisang	4 c	Tadd	British str.	1773	July 1	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Taicheung	7 c	Ahrens	Ger. str.	828	July 1	Meyer & Co.		
Tientsin	k w	Fox	British str.	2555	July 3	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Victoria	4 c	Panton	Amer. str.	2112	June 25	Dodwell & Co., Limited	Tacoma, &c.	July 4.
Wongkoi	3 c	McLellan	British str.	1115	June 28	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	July 4.
Sailing Vessels.								
Drumburton	3 k	Spurring	British sh.	1778	June 20	C. Richardson		
Gerard C. Tobey	2 k	Shurtleff	Amer. bqe.	1390	May 4	Order		
Ivy	2 k	Halstad	Amer. sh.	1181	June 27	Order		
N. P. Blanchand	2 k	Blanchand	Amer. bqe.	1503	June 15	Order		
Rose	7 c	Rickers	Brit. bqe.	465	June 12	Siemssen & Co.		
Sofala	3 c	Thomas Auld	B. 4-m. bk.	2160	May 30	Standard Oil Co.		
Standfield	2 k	Wilson	Brit. bqe.	578	July 2	Master		
Tam O'Shanter	2 k	Ballard	Amer. sh.	2260	June 15	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		

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Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations, Cash.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	$125	all	303 % prem. = $503.75 buyers
Bank of China & Japan, Limited preference shares	199,875	£	4	£1.0.0
" ordinary	1,250	£	1	£5.5
" deferred		£	1	£20½, buyers
National Bank of China, Limited				
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld.	10,000	$250	$50	$140
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ld.	24,000	$83.33	$25	$61½
North-China Insurance Co., Ld.	5,000	$100	$25	Tls. 195
Straits Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$100	$20	$25, buyers
Union Insurance Society, Ld.	10,000	$100	$25	$240
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ld.	8,000	$100	$60	$110
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$100	$20	$89, sellers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	8,000	$50	$50	$320
DOCKS.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ld.	12,500	$125	all	403 % prem. = $625
STEAMBOATS.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ld.	5,000	$50	all	$90
Douglas Steamship Co., Ld.	20,000	$50	all	$55, sellers
HK. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ld.	8,000	$15	all	$30½
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	60,000	£10	all	$69½
China Mutual S. N. Co.	20,000	£10	£5	£15, ex div.
"	20,000	£	5	£8,
Do. (new issue)	20,000	£	5	£3,
Star Ferry Company, Ld.	10,000	$	7½	$16
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	$100	all	$174, sellers
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	$100	all	$57
WHARVES.				
HK. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	6,000	$50	all	$84½, buyers
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited	2,600	$37½	$37½	$30, buyers
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	$100	$50	$92½, buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	$50	$30	$29, buyers
Humphreys' Estate & Finance Co.	37,000	$10	all	$10.25, buyers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	$50	all	$40
TRAMWAYS.				
HK High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	1,250	$	all	$142½
MINING.				
Jelebu Mining & Trading Co., Ld.	40,000	$5	all	$11¼, buyers
New Punjom Mining Co., Ld.	60,000	$6	all	$14.75, sellers
" Preference shares	60,000	$1	all	
Great Eastern and Caledonian Gold Mining Co., Ld.	86,000	$5	$3	$3.20, sellers
Great Eastern & Caledonian preference shares	12,000	$5		$0.95 cents
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs 250	all	$255, buyers
Queen's Mine, Limited	400,000	25 cents	25 cts.	50 cents
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ld.	200,000	$	14/10	$6½, sellers
Olivers Freehold Mines, Limited	45,000	$5		$5
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ld.	12,000	$50	all	$103, buyers
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Ld.	50,000	$10	all	$14½, buyers
LIGHTING.				
HK. and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	£10	all	$127, ex div.
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	30,000	$10	all	$12.25
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.	50,000	$10	all	$28½
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ld.		£1	15/-	15/-
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	$10	all	$11, buyers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	$25	all	$43
Hongkong Bakery Company, Ld.	4,000	$7½	$7½	$25
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	6,000	$6	all	$6
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$25	all	$114
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Ld.	6,000	$50	all	$175, buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	10,000	$		
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	17,500	Tls.100	Tls.100	Tls. 70
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ld.	10,000	Tls.	Tls.100	Tls. 65
Laou-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	8,000	Tls.	Tls.	Tls. 50
Carmichael & Co., Limited	2,000	$20	all	$15
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	8,000	Tls.	Tls.350	Tls. 350
China Provident Loan Mortgage Co., Ld.	50,000	$10	$	$9.75, sellers

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LOANS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
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